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CHESTER MONTHLY MEETING

MEN'S MINUTES, 1868-1881

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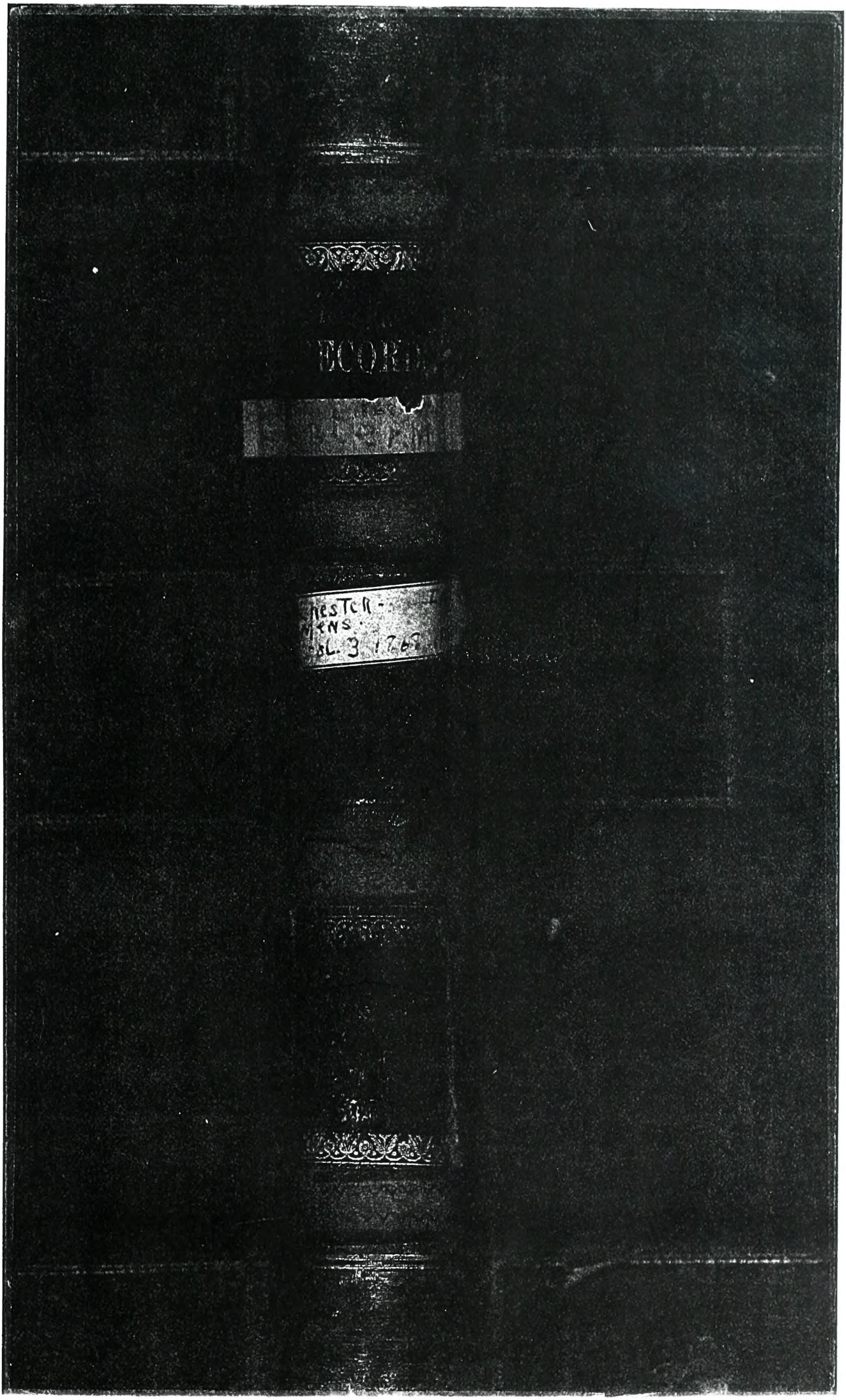
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Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th Mo. 23rd 1868

Money to replenish the treasury

The preparatives report that they have raised their proportions of the $[illegible] which was directed at last Monthly Meeting (to replenish the treasury) they are directed to pay it into the hands of the treasurer.

Joseph Ogborn Certificate

The friends appointed at last Meeting to prepare (if way should open) for it a certificate for Joseph Ogborn produced one which was read, approved, and signed, and directed into the hands of our correspondent to be forwarded,

J. Addington returns his Minute

John Addington now returns a minute granted him in 10th Mo. last, with the information that the services therein set forth have been performed to the great peace and satisfaction of his own mind, which report is satisfactory to the Meeting.

Committee on select body to report to next Meeting

A part of the Quarterly Meeting's committee on the condition of the select body, is now acceptably with us, Nathan Hagin Jas Weeks, David Little, and J. D. Hampton, are appointed, with like committee of women friends to act in conjunction with this committee and report to next Monthly Meeting.

Augustine Williamson & his wife and Silas W— and wife & minor children taken into membership

Chester preparative informs that Augustine Williamson and ~~family~~ Sarah his wife, And Silas Williamson and Sarah his wife and minor children Annie E— and Augustine, request to be joined in Membership with Friends. After duly considering which the Meeting is united in granting their request.

Com to rep. next mo.

Clarkson Stanbridge and Samuel Miles are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to inform them of the action of this meeting and report to next Monthly Meeting.

Com. to assist overseers &c.... report as way opens

Joshua Crampton, Joshua Jeffris, Isaac Votaw, John Addington, James P Smith and David Little are appointed in conjunction with like committee of women friends, to assist the overseers in visiting ~~such persons~~ such persons within our limits as appear to feel an interest in our Society and seem to be looking toward it for protection, Also if way should open for it in the truth to appoint some meetings for the encouragement of such and report to this Meeting as way may open for it

The Meeting concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends
held 2nd Mo. 20th. 1868

Com. on condition of select body

The Committee appointed at last Mo. Meeting to act in conjunction with the Quarterly Meeting's committee, to examine into the condition of the select body Make the following report with which the Meeting unites and the within named friends are appointed to that station. The clerk is directed to furnish the preparative Meeting of Ministers and Elders with a copy of this Minute

Report

To Chester Monthly Meeting

Report of joint com.

The joint committee of the Monthly and Quarterly Meetings, to consider the condition of the preparative Meetings of Ministers and Elders and the members individually, after duly considering the members of Chester Monthly Meeting were united in recommending that the present Elders be reappointed to that station.

And for new appointments nominate David Little, Mary Little & Jacob D. Hampton,

Signed by direction and on behalf of the joint committee of the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings

Joel Parker Clk

Inform A Williamson &c

The friends appointed at last Mo Meeting to inform Augustine Williamson and wife and Silas Williamson and family of this Meeting's

action in their case, report that they have attended to the service.

Com. to propose clerks &c — Isaac Votaw, Joshua Crampton and David Little are appointed to confer together and propose to ~~next~~ Meeting the name of a friend for Clerk one for assistant and one for Messenger for the ensuing year.

Representatives to Qr Meeting — The 1st 2nd & 8th queries were read in this Meeting with written answers thereto from the preparatives from which a Summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting to attend which as our representatives we appoint Isaac Votaw, Milton Pickett, David Little and James Weeks; who are directed to report to next Mo. Meeting

Moneys — The Preparatives report that the money directed in 12th Mo. last is in readiness, Isaac Votaw is authorized to receive the same and forward to the Quarterly Meeting

Com. to record Minutes — The friends appointed in 11th mo last to assist the clerk in revising and recording the minutes of the Monthly Meeting report that the work is not completed, they are continued to report to next Monthly Meeting

Rep. next meeting

Rep. of Com. to provide for John Addington

The committee appointed in 10th Mo. last to see that John Addington was suitably provided for in his proposed religious visit, Report that they have attended to the matter and incurred an expense of $5.00 The Treasurer is directed to pay the same

Allen Thorne request

Chester preparative informs that Allen H Thorne requests for himself and three minor children, viz, Oscar Benjamin; Anna Rosetta; and Elva Alice to be joined in membership with friends; with which the meeting unites and Nathan Hogin; Joshua Crampton; Jacob D Hampton and John Addington are appointed to visit them for their help and encouragement and report to next Meeting

D. J. McMillan Minute

David J. McMillan a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Bridgeport monthly meeting Ind. dated 1st Mo. 2nd 1868.

John Allen Minute

John Allen a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a Minute of unity and concurrence from Mississinewa monthly meeting held 1st Mo. 15th 1868

Rachel Binford Minute

Rachel Binford a minister and her husband James Binford acceptably attended this Meeting and produced minutes of unity and concurrence from Millford Mo. Meeting dated 1st Mo. 25th 1868

Then Concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of friends held 3rd Mo. 19th 1868

Appointmt of clerks & messenger

The friends appointed at last Meeting to propose to this the names of friends for clerks and messenger for the ensuing year, propose Isaac Commons for clerk, Franklin Crampton for assistant, and Wilson Kendall for messenger; with which the meeting unites and they are accordingly appointed.

The Representatives report that they all attended the Quarterly Meeting.

Com. to record Min. to rep. in 6th Mo. next.

The committee continued in last Month to assist the clerk in revising and recording the minutes of the Monthly Meeting report that the work is not yet completed, They are continued to report in 6th month next.

Allen Thorne

The committee appointed last month to inform Allen Thorne of this Meeting's action in his case: report, That the service has been attended to.

Our Treasurer reports that he has paid John Addington the sum of $5.00 to defray the expenses of his late religious visit as set forth in a minute granted him in 10th Mo. last.

Nathan S. Williams and family's request.

Chester preparative informs this meeting that Nathan S. Williams, and Rebecca his wife with their minor children Charles A. Alonzo F. Edgar [illegible] and [illegible] request to be joined in membership with friends, David Little; Jas. Hicks; & Silmas Hogins; are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to visit them on account thereof and report to next meeting,

Our Treasurer is directed to pay to Isaac Commons the sum of $4.00 for the purchase of a Record book and Stationery for the use of the Monthly Meeting.

John Addingt. minute

Our beloved friend John Addington a minister with whom we have unity, expressed in this Meeting a concern to visit in the love of the Gospel, some Neighborhoods in Howard and Tipton Counties Ind. where there are no Friends, And perhaps to attend some meetings and appoint some amongst friends, and others there. Also to labor for the greater spread of the truth around home and wherever way should open by appointing some meetings. With which this meeting fully unites. And he

is liberated and encouraged to attend to the service under the guideance of the great Head of the Church!

J. D. Hampton Minute — Jacob D Hampton expressed in this Meeting a willingness to accompany John Addington in his proposed visit with which the meeting fully unites

Commitee to see that J. A. is furnished — Isaac Votaw and Joshua Crampton are appointed to see that John Addington is suitably provided, for this proposed religious visit, and report as way opens

Scripture schools com. report — The Scripture School commitee report. A school opened at chester 4th Mo. 24th and continued about 4 months with an average attendance of 59 including teachers, Woodberry had a school about 4 months with an average of about 30.

S. School com appointed — Jacob D Hampton, Willson Kendall, Isaac Commons, Isaac Votaw, David Little, & Stephen Williams are appointed, in conjunction with a like commitee of Women friends to have the care and oversight of scripture schools for the ensueing year, and report in 3rd Mo. next.

Com. on selling lot for dis school. — Joshua Crampton, Willson Kendall, Nathan Hegins, Isaac Votaw, and Samuel Miles, are appointed to consider the propriety of selling a lot off the Meeting house grounds for the purpose of a District School and report to next Meeting

Joseph Pickett a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this Meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Pleasant Hill Monthly Meeting dated 3rd Mo. 7th 68

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 14th Mo. 23rd 1868

Nathan S. Williams & family received.

The friends appointed at last Meeting to visit Nathan S. Williams and family on account of their request, report that they have visited them to good satisfaction; whereupon the Meeting is united in granting their request and they are accordingly received into Membership.

Rep. of com. on selling lot for [illegible]

The friends appointed at last Meeting to consider the propriety of selling a portion of the meeting house grounds for the purpose [illegible] [illegible] to part with the ground at present, with which judgement the Meeting unites.

Dean King certificate

A certificate was received for Dean King, and Esther his wife, with minor children Almira, Edward, Henry, Sarah Clarissa and Anna M. from Greenfield Monthly Meeting dated 3rd Mo. 21st 1868 Joshua Crampton, Samuel Miles, James P. Bunch and David Little are appointed in conjunction with a like Committee of women friends

to visit them on account thereof [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] said [illegible] [illegible],

The com. to assist overseers &c. rep and are contin.

The committee appointed in 1st Mo. last to assist the overseers &c. Report that they have attended thereto, as way seemed to open, to good satisfaction, which is satisfactory to the Meeting, and the committee's continued with the addition of Wilmius Hagins and directed to report as way opens after it.

J. Jefferis Minute to Walnut Ridge Q.M.

Our beloved friend Joshua Jefferis a Minister in Unity with us, expressed in this Meeting a concern to visit in the love of the gospel the next ensuing Quarterly Meeting at Walnut Ridge, with which the Meeting fully unites and he is liberated to attend to the same.

J. Hagins M. Lewelling propose Marriage

Joseph W. Hagins and Martha Lewelling inform this Meeting that they intend Marriage with each other and produced in writing consent of Parents to the same.

Expenses [illegible] 2, [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] received from the Quarterly Meeting [illegible] which this Meeting is [illegible] to raise its deficiency of moneys heretofore directed, & also our proportion of $[illegible].00 for [illegible] of the committee on peace, And also our proportion of $200.00 to pay Quarterly Meeting's indebted[ness] and pay [illegible]

the hands of Samuel Pitts Jr and Joseph [illegible] [illegible], the Preparative meetings are directed to raise in their respective limits the sum of $36.25 [illegible] proportion of the same and produce it to next meeting.

[illegible] in this [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] with which the meeting unites and she is liberated to the service.

The meeting then concluded.

[illegible] Monthly Meeting of Friends held 3rd mo. 21st 1868.

J. Jefferis returns minute. — Joshua Jefferis now returns the minute granted him in last month, with the information that the service therein set forth has been performed to the peace and satisfaction of his own mind, which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Com. to visit P. K.'s family continued. — The friends appointed at last meeting to visit Pean King and family on the reception of their certificate report "it has not been attended to." They are continued to report to next meeting.

[illegible] to [illegible] & record min. [illegible] report. — The committee continued in 2nd mo. last to assist the clerk in [illegible] and recording the monthly meetings [illegible] report the work is completed.

Money fr. preparatives

The preparatives report the money directed at last meeting for this purpose is in readiness, J. D. Hampton is appointed to convey the same to the Quarterly Meeting.

J. Hoggins & M. A. Lewelling

Joseph N. Hogins and Martha A. Lewelling having informed this Meeting in last month that they intend marriage with each other, and no obstruction appearing, they are now left at liberty to accomplish their intentions in accordance with our rules, and James Weeks is appointed to see to having the Marriage certificate read and placed in the hands of the recorder.

Queries & Answers

The 1st 2nd & 9th Queries were read in this Meeting with answers from each of the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to the Quarterly meeting to attend which as our representatives we appoint Jacob D Hampton, Richard French, Samuel Miles, & Clarkson Trowbridge, who are to report their care therein to next Monthly Meeting.

Preparative meeting of M & E

This Meeting is united in judgement that it would be right to establish a preparative meeting of Ministers and Elders to be held at Chester at the rise of the preparative meeting next preceding each quarterly meeting, The clerk is directed to furnish the said meeting of Ministers & Elders with a copy of this Minute.

Then Concluded.

[illegible] the Meeting of [illegible] held 10th mo. 25th 1868

[illegible] Addington and L. D. [illegible] — Our [illegible] John Addington now returns a Minute granted him in 3rd Mo. last, and informs the meeting that his services [illegible] to the peace, and satisfaction of his own mind. [illegible] is [illegible] satisfactory to the [illegible].
[illegible] L. D. Allen [illegible] also returns a Minute granted him on the same occasion, as Companion to John Addington; and says he attended to the service: which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Dean King's reception &c. — The committee continued at last Meeting to visit Dean King and [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible]

Marriage certificate Rec'd. — The friend appointed at last Meeting to have the Marriage certificate read and placed in the hands of the Recorder reports that it has been attended to.

[illegible] to Q. M. — [illegible] reports the many [illegible] of Quarterly Meeting as directed at last Monthly Meeting.

Representatives Rep. — The Representatives report that they [illegible] attended the Quarterly Meeting.

[illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] and [illegible] (Enoch B. [illegible]; [illegible] Williams; [illegible]) [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] produce [illegible] ... [illegible].

[Margin: [illegible] for travelling expenses of ministers &c]

[illegible] ... [illegible] minutes by which this meeting [illegible] directed [illegible] ... [illegible] \$240.00 [illegible] ... [illegible] of ministers [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] \$23.20 [illegible] ... [illegible] and [illegible] ...

[Margin: Deficiencies [illegible]]

Also an extract [illegible] this Meeting [illegible] ... deficiencies [illegible] ... directed, [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ...
[illegible] ...
[illegible] ... Williams [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... accepted [illegible] ...

this meeting and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Grove monthly meeting dated 4th mo. 11th 1868

Then Concluded

Chester monthly meeting of Friends held 7th mo. 25th 1868

Com. to visit Jean King & family. The committee continued at last meeting to visit Jean King and family on the reception of their certificate report that the service has been attended to.

Jonathan Stubbs certificate. The friends appointed at last meeting to prepare (if way should open for it) a certificate for Jonathan Stubbs and family produced one which was read approved and signed and directed into the hands of our Correspondent to be forwarded.

Money. The preparatives report the money directed at last Monthly Meeting is not in readiness. They are directed to report to next meeting.

Eli Cadwalader certif. rec. A certificate was received for Eli Cadwalader, from Newgarden Monthly meeting dated 7th Mo. 18th ult. James P. Bunch, Jacob D Hampton and Joshua Jeffris are appointed to visit him on the reception thereof and report to next Meeting.

Jacob D. Hampton and Isaac Commons are appointed to

Statistics — collect the statistics of this Monthly meeting as [illegible] by the Yearly Meeting's minutes and report to next Meeting.

[illegible] Aid &c. — J. [illegible] Hampton, Joshua Jeffries, Isaac Vatan and David Little are appointed to ascertain if any of our members require pecuniary assistance and report to next Meeting.

[illegible]

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th Mo. 20th 1868

Money — The Preparatives report the money directed at last Meeting raised as follows, For travelling expenses of Ministers liberated by the Quarterly Meeting. from Chester $18.90 cts.

from [illegible] 6.30

[illegible]

[illegible] money [illegible] which is directed into the hands of the proper committees.

[illegible] — The friends appointed at last meeting [illegible] [illegible] on the reception of his certificate report that they have [illegible] the visit to [illegible] a certificate for the balance of his family which is today received — The Committee will unite with a similar Committee of women friends and report to next Monthly Meeting.

[illegible] Certificate [illegible]	A certificate is received from Chester [illegible] for [illegible] with [illegible] all [illegible] children [illegible] 4, [illegible] 6, Joseph 63 [illegible] Mary 56, dated 8th mo. 9th 1865. The matter is referred to the above named [illegible].
Statistics	The friends appointed at last meeting to collect the statistics of this monthly meeting report as follows.

	No. of members	Received	Ceased membership	No. of families	Parts of families
Chester	149	17	1	25	2
[illegible]	41	[illegible]	[illegible]	06	[illegible]
Total	190	17	1	31	19

The clerk is directed to furnish the Quarterly meeting with a copy of the same.

[illegible] pecuniary aid &c. rep.	The friends appointed at last meeting to ascertain if any of our members require pecuniary aid &c. report that they have [illegible] after [illegible], that this meeting raise and place at their disposal the sum of $15.00 with which the meeting unites and the preparatives are directed to raise that sum and produce to next monthly meeting. The committee is continued for further service to report as way opens
Representatives appointed	The Queries were all read in this meeting with answers from the preparatives from which a summary was [illegible] and

directed to the [illegible] meeting to attend which we appoint as our Representatives Joshua [illegible] Benjamin Pickett, Samuel [illegible], and James [illegible] Branch who are to report their care therein to next meeting.

[illegible] | [illegible] ([illegible]) [illegible] to be united [illegible] in membership with Friends, with [illegible] (having [illegible] woman's [illegible]) [illegible] unites, and [illegible] Addington, David Little, [illegible] Crampton, and [illegible] to visit him on the occasion and [illegible] to [illegible] meeting.

[illegible] | [illegible] [illegible] meets [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] Samuel [illegible] and [illegible] Hampton are appointed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting.

[illegible] circular | A circular was received and read, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] read [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] — [illegible] in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Plainfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th mo. 8th 1868

[illegible] — Henry [illegible] a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity from [illegible] Monthly Meeting held 7th mo. 22nd 1868.

[illegible] companion to Henry [illegible] acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute from same meeting same date.

The meeting concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9th Mo. 24th 1868

Final report com. on Eli Cadwalader & family — The committee continued at last meeting to visit Eli Cadwalader and family on the reception of their certificate, report that the service has been attended to

Preparatives to raise money — The preparatives report that the money directed to be raised at last meeting is not all in readiness. They are directed to raise the deficiency and report to next meeting.

Representatives report — The Representatives report that they all attended the Quarterly meeting

E. Cox — The committee appointed at last meeting

E. Cox

to visit Elihu Cox on the reception of his right of membership report the service has been attended to.

J. A. Hodgin

The committee appointed at last meeting to prepare (if way should open for it) a certificate of removal for Joseph A. Hodgin and Wife, report the service not attended to; They are continued to report to next meeting.

To aid Book & tract committee

The committee appointed at last meeting to open subscriptions for money to aid the central Book and Tract committee report that they have given the matter some attention. They are continued for further service and to report to next meeting.

S. Sparklin request.

Woodberry preparative informs that Samuel W. Sparklin requests to be joined in membership with friends. Nathan Hodgin, Jesse Hunt and John Addington are appointed to visit him on account thereof and report to next meeting.

Joshua Jeffris Minute

Joshua Jeffris a minister in unity with us laid before this meeting a concern to visit in the love of the Gospel [illegible] Creek monthly meeting and also to visit some families belong-ing thereto; and appoint some meetings if way should open for it. After a time of solid deliberation thereon unity was expressed with him in his concern and he [illegible] left at liberty [illegible] to att-end [illegible] to [illegible] the guidance of the [Great Head of the church]

Rachel Jeffris Minute — Rachel Jeffris an Elder in unity with us, expressed in this meeting a willingness to accompany her husband - Joshua Jeffris - in his proposed religious visit, with which the Meeting unites and she is liberated and encouraged to attend to the service.

James P Bunch recorded a Minister — By an extract from the minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held 8th Mo 21st 1868 this Meeting is informed that that Meeting unites with the proposition of Chester preparative meeting of M. & E. held 8th mo. 12th 1868 proposing that Jas. P Bunch be recorded a Minister of the Gospel, which is satisfactory to this Meeting. The clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to Chester preparative and Newgarden Quarterly meetings of Minsters and Elders.

Jesse Johnson Minute — Jesse Johnson a Minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Cherry Grove monthly meeting dated 8th Mo. 1868

Jonathan Hodgin Minute — Jonathan Hodgin companion to Jesse Johnson acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute from the same meeting and the same date

The meeting then Concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th Mo 22nd 1??

Ruth Hawley Minute	Our beloved friend Ruth Hawley a minister in unity informed this Meeting that a concern has rested on her mind for some time past to visit in the love of the Gospel the meetings belonging to Newgarden and Whitewater Quarterly Meetings as far as way opens for it. Also to visit the families of Westberry preparative meeting with which the meeting unites and encourages her to perform the service under the guidance of the Great Head of the Church.
Moneys	The preparatives report the money directed at last Meeting is not all in readiness; they are directed to raise their deficiencies and report to next meeting.
Certif for J.A. Hodgin	The committee continued at last Meeting to prepare if way opens a certificate for Joseph A Hodgin and wife to Whitewater Monthly meeting, produced one which was read, approved and signed and placed in the hands of our Correspondent to be forwarded.
Book & Tract com.	The committee continued at last Meeting to solicit subscriptions to aid the Book & Tract Committee report that they have collected and forwarded $4.75 to said committee.
	The committee appointed at last Meeting to visit Samuel Sparklin

Rachel Jeffris Minute — Rachel Jeffris an Elder in unity with us, expressed in this meeting a willingness to accompany her husband Joshua Jeffris in his proposed religious visit, with which the Meeting unites and she is liberated and encouraged to attend to the service.

James P. Bunch recorded a Minister — By an extract from the minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held 8th Mo 21st 1868 this Meeting is informed that that Meeting unites with the proposition of Chester preparative meeting of M. & E. held 8th mo. 12th 1868 proposing that Jas. P Bunch be recorded a Minister of the Gospel, which is satisfactory to this Meeting. The clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to Chester preparative and Newgarden Quarterly meetings of Minsters and Elders.

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Jonathan Hodgin Minute — Jonathan Hodgin companion to Jesse Johnson acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute from the same meeting and the same date

The meeting then Concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th Mo 22nd 1868

Ruth Haisley Minute

Our beloved friend Ruth Haisely a minister in unity informed this meeting that a concern has rested on her mind for some time past to visit in the love of the Gospel the meetings belonging to Newgarden and Whitewater Quarterly meetings as far as way opens for it. Also to visit the families of Nordberry preparative meeting with which the meeting unites and encourages her to perform the service under the guidance of the Great Head of the Church

Moneys

The preparatives report the money directed at last meeting is not all in readiness; They are directed to raise their deficiencies and report to next meeting.

Certif for J.N. Hodgin

The committee continued at last Meeting to prepare if way opens a certificate for Joseph N Hodgin and wife to Whitewater Monthly meeting, produced one which was read, approved and signed and placed in the hands of our Correspondent to be forwarded.

Book & Tract com.

The committee continued at last meeting to solicit subscriptions to aid the Book & Tract Committee report that they have collected and forwarded $4.75 to said Committee

The committee appointed at last meeting to visit Samuel Sparklin

S. Sparklin received

on account of his request report that they visited him to good satisfaction and the meeting is united in granting the request. Isaac Hammonds and James P. Bunch are appointed to inform of the judgment of this meeting and report to next.

com to provide for Ruth Haisly

Nathan Hodgin, Jacob D. Hampton and Isaac Votaw are appointed to see that Ruth Haisly is suitably provided for in her proposed religious visit and report to ~~next meeting~~ when complied with.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th Mo. 19th 1865

Moneys

The preparatives report the money directed at last Meeting is in readiness, it is directed into the hands of the Monthly Meeting's Treasurer.

S Sparklin

The Friends appointed at last Meeting to inform Samuel Sparklin of this Meeting's judgment in his case report, it has been attended to.

J. Jeffris returns Minute

Joshua Jeffris, and Rachel his wife and companion now return Minutes granted them in 9th Mo. last. with the information that the services therein set forth have been performed, so far as way opened for it, to the peace and satisfaction of their own minds, which information is satisfactory to the Meeting.

Mahlon Johnson, Isaac Votaw, David Little, & Jesse Hunt, are appointed

[illegible] to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives and report to next Meeting.

This Meeting unites in asking Women's Meeting to appoint a committee to act in conjunction with our committee appointed in 8th Mo. last to ascertain if any of our Members require pecuniary aid &c. Nathan Hodgin is appointed a member of said committee, in the place of Joshua Jeffris who requests to be released. And the Preparatives are directed to raise and pay into the hands of said committee $25.00 and report to next Meeting.

The meeting concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th Mo. 24th 1868

Representatives Report. The Representatives report that they all attended the Quarterly Meeting.

Money. The Preparatives report that the Money directed at last Meeting has not been raised. They are directed to raise it and report to [illegible].

[illegible] Extract was received from the Quarterly Meeting.

Extract "At the [illegible] Quarterly Meeting

[illegible] Minutes held 11th Mo. 2nd 1868
Monthly Meetings are directed to attend to the following subjects as directed by last Yearly Meeting and contained in the minutes,

1st To enter on their records the name and Post office address of Correspondents in Canada Yearly Meeting, and also in our own as noted on pages 4 & 5 and 65, & 66 of printed minutes.

2nd To [illegible] for Consideration the minute made on the state of Society.

3rd To raise in their respective proportions of $40. to increase the Yearly Meeting's Treasury and produce the amount to next meeting.

By direction of the meeting
Cornelius J Woodard clk.

List of Correspondents in Canada Yearly Meeting

For Pelham Monthly Meeting
Jacob Gainer jr
Port Robinson
Welland Co. Ontario
Canada

For Norwich Monthly Meeting
Jesse [illegible]
Norwich,
Oxford Co. Ontario
Canada.

For Yonge Street Monthly Meeting
[illegible] Doan
Newmarket,
Ontario Canada

For [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Co.
Ontario Canada

Correspondents for Canada Y. Meeting continued

For Pickering Monthly Meeting
James Richardson
Pickering
Ontario Canada

For West Lake Monthly Meeting
Allen M. Dorland
Hillier
Prince Edward Co.
Ontario Canada.

For Leeds Monthly Meeting
Joseph Wiltsie
Farmersville
Leeds County
Ontario Canada

For Kingston Monthly Meeting
Jonathan P. Ward
Kingston
Ontario Canada

For Cold Creek Monthly Meeting
Esli Ferrell
Wooler
Northumberland Co
Ontario Canada

Correspondents in various Mo Meetings of Indiana Yearly Meeting

For Tonganoxie Monthly Meeting
Kansas Tonganoxie
Lemuel Pemberton
Tonganoxie
Leavenworth Co
Kansas

For Union Monthly Meeting; Spring River Qr. Jordan Elleman
Ellen Jasper Co.
Missouri

For Elk Monthly Meeting
Westfield Qr. Lewis Taylor
West Elkton
Preble Co Ohio

Correspondts Continued	For Wilmington Monthly meeting Center Quarter Cyrus Linton Wilmington Clinton Co Ohio
	For Toledo Monthly Meeting Cottonwood Qr. Azel Hirsh Toledo Chase Co Kansas
	For Oak Ridge Monthly Meeting Northern Qr. John Haisley Fairmount Grant Co Ind.
State of Society	The minute on the "State of Society" was then read in the Meeting.
Certificate N Hollingsworth and Wife	A certificate was received for Nathan Hollingsworth and Eliza his wife from Cherry Grove Monthly Meeting bearing date [illegible] Mo [illegible] 1868 Nathan Hodgin Joshua Crampton and John Addington are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of Women friends to visit them on the reception thereof and report to next meeting
Monies	The Preparatives are directed to raise in their respective proportions $88.26 for yearly meeting's treasury and produce to this meeting in 2nd mo. next.
Mary Birdsall Disowned	Women Friends inform that they have come to the judgment to disown Mary Birdsall who has joined another religious society and does not wish to retain her right which is satisfactory to this meeting.

Circulars — A circular was received and read in this meeting from the Bible Association of Friends and one from the Foreign Mission Society each asking for funds to aid them in their work Jacob D Thompson and Isaac Simmons are appointed to open subscriptions for the same and report to next Monthly Meeting

Ministers — Joseph Hobson a Minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this Meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Gilead Monthly Meeting held 7th mo. 14th 1868 And endorsed by Alum Creek Qr. held 8th mo. 1st 1868

Pleasant Coppock companion to Joseph Hobson acceptably attended this Meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Damascus Monthly Meeting held 7th Mo 26th 1868

The Meeting concluded

At Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 1st Mo. 21st 1869

Monies — The [illegible] report the money directed at last Meeting has been ~~[illegible]~~ raised and paid into the hands of Nathan Hodgin Treasurer of the Committee

[illegible] Hollingsworth	The friends appointed at last meeting to visit Nathan Hollingsworth and family on the reception of their certificate, report they have attended to the service.
Subscription Bible Association Foreign Mission	The Friends appointed at last meeting to open subscriptions for the Bible Association and Foreign Mission societies report they have raised for the Bible Association $3.11. and for the Foreign Mission $3.06. They are directed to pay it into the hands of Charles F. Coffin Treasurer of each society.
Allen Thorne & Albert Pickett	Chester preparative informs that Allen Thorne has accomplished his marriage contrary to discipline David Little and Dean King are appointed to visit him on the account thereof and report to next monthly meeting, Also that Albert Pickett has accomplished his marriage contrary to discipline; which is referred to the same committee.
Overseer	James P. Burch requests to be released from serving this meeting as overseer, Samuel Niles, Jacob D. Hampton and Jeremiah Cox are appointed to propose to next meeting the name of a friend to serve in his stead.
Tilnias Hodgin requests Certificate	Tilnias Hodgin requests for himself and family their rights of membership removed to Whitewater Monthly meeting. Jacob D. Hampton and Milton Pickett are appointed

in conjunction with a like Committee of Women Friends to prepare one - if no obstruction appears - and produce it to Next Meeting.

John Addington minute

Our beloved Friend John Addington a minister with whom we have unity, expressed in this Meeting a concern that had rested with him for some time past, to visit in gospel love all the Monthly Meetings in [illegible] Quarter and a part of Whitewater and probably some other services in the limits of the same. Also to appoint some Meetings in Hancock and Huntington counties and to attend to other services going and returning. After a time of solid deliberation by this Meeting, he was liberated and encouraged to attend to the service as way may open for it in the truth.

James P. Bunch minute

Our beloved friend James P. Bunch a minister with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern that has been present with him for some time, to visit in the Service of the Gospel the Quarterly meeting at West Branch. Which after mature deliberation by the meeting was [illegible] united with and he was liberated and encouraged to attend to the service under the guidance of the great Head of the Church

Com. to assist in getting [illegible] — David Little, Nathan Hodgin and Isaac Cotton are appointed to see that John Ellington and James P Bunch are suitably provided for in their proposed religious visits and report to next meeting.

Absalom Dennis — Absalom Dennis a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity from Cherry Grove Monthly Meeting dated 12th mo. 12th 1868

Jesse B. Williams — Jesse B. Williams a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity from Springfield Monthly Meeting dated 12th Mo 19th 1868

Companion to J. B. W. — Ephraim Lee companion to Jesse B. Williams acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute from same meeting same date.

The meeting concluded.

At Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2nd mo. 25th 1869

J. P. Bunch returns min. — James P Bunch returns the minute granted him in last month, and informs the meeting that he has attended to the services set forth to the peace of his own mind, which is very satisfactory to the meeting.

He also requests a minute to visit

J. R. Bunch Minute Spiceland — in the love of the Gospel the next ensuing Quarterly Meeting at Spiceland with which the Meeting fully unites and he is liberated to perform the service as guided by the spirit of Truth.

Ruth Haisley returns minute — Ruth Haisley now returns a minute granted her in 10th mo last, and informs the meeting that the services therein set forth have been attended to, And although performed in great weakness of body; that strength was afforded in every time of need; and she now returns with the reward of peace, which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Allen Thorne & Albert Pickett — The friends appointed at last Meeting to visit Allen Thorne and Albert Pickett on account of their deviation report that they both wish to retain their rights, which is satisfactory to the meeting, and they being present are fully reinstated.

Overseers, — The friends appointed at last meeting to propose to this the name of a friend to serve as overseer report that they have given some attention to the subject, but are not ready to make a full report; They are continued to report to next meeting.

The friends appointed at last

T. Hodgin certificate — meeting to prepare if way should open for it a certificate for Tilnias Hodgin, produced one which was read, approved and signed.

Committee to provide for J.A. and J.P.B. — The friends appointed at last meeting to see that Jam Addington and James P. Bunch were suitably provided for in their proposed religious visit report, It has been attended to as needed, they are continued for further service to report at next meeting.

Athan Hodgin and David Little are appointed to propose to next meeting the name of a friend for Clerk; one for assistant, and one for messenger for the ensuing year.

monies. — The preparatives report the money directed at last meeting as follows Chester $40.00
Woodbury 22.05
which is directed to the Quarterly meeting.

Committee to assist overseers &c, — The committee appointed in 1st mo 1868 to assist the overseers &c, now make the following report, which is satisfactory and the committee is continued for further service to report as way opens for it. Nathan G. Williams and Elihu Cox are added to the committee in the stead of Joshua Jeffries and James P. B. Bunch who request to be released.

Rodger Outland, — A certificate of membership was received for Rodger Outland from New Garden monthly meeting dated 1st mo. 16th 1869.
Jacob D. Hampton and David Little are appointed to visit him on his reception and report to next monthly meeting.

[illegible] — The preparatives are directed to raise in their proportions the sum of $45.00 for the use of the committee to assist those in need &c. And the Treasurer is directed to pay over to the same committee what money there is in the Treasury.

The 1st 2nd & 8th queries were read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives, from which a summary was taken and directed to the Quarterly meeting by the following friends who we appoint as our representatives Nathan Hollinsworth, James Weeks and Elihu Cox.

To [illegible]

At [illegible] monthly [illegible] held [illegible] 1869

[illegible] — [illegible] Branch, [illegible] minute of [illegible] meeting [illegible] set forth [illegible] to the [illegible]

Overseer.

The friends continued at last meeting to propose the name of a friend to serve as overseer in place of James T. Bunch who requests to be released offer [illegible] Commerce(?) [illegible] with whom the meeting unites and [illegible] [illegible] to that service.

Committee to provide [illegible] in his visit

The friends continued at last meeting to see that John Addington is suitably provided for in his proposed religious visit report they have given further attention to the [illegible] and they are [illegible] and directed to report when the service is accomplished.

[illegible] appointed [illegible] assistant [illegible]

The friends appointed at last meeting to propose to this [illegible] names to serve as clerk assistant and messenger [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for clerk, Franklin H. Hampton for assistant and Wm Johnson for messenger with [illegible] the meeting unites and they are appointed to the service.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The friends appointed to visit [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the service has not been attended to. they are continued and directed to report to next meeting.

[illegible]

The preparative report the money directed to be raised for the use of the committee to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] is continued, and they are also directed to raise our deficiency

[illegible] signed by [illegible] last [illegible]

[illegible] [Margin: [illegible]]

[illegible]

[illegible] foreign [illegible] established in [illegible] committee [illegible] toward [illegible] suitable [illegible] oversight [illegible] the coming year. [Margin: committee [illegible] committee]

[illegible] hours [illegible] [illegible] [Margin: A committee to prepare [illegible]]

[illegible] [Margin: Miles Mendenhall]

William [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] meeting. [Margin: [illegible]]

The meeting concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th mo 22nd 1869

Committee continued to visit R. Cutland

The committee continued to visit Roger Cutland on the reception of his acknowledgment report the service has not been attended to.

Firstday scripture school committee

The committee appointed at last meeting to consider the subject of the care of Friends in [illegible] the care and oversight of First day scripture schools report the ground has not been [illegible]. The meeting appoint Isaac L. Hampton, David White, James Hicks, Dean King, Josiah Williams & James L. Baker, in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to have the care of such schools the ensuing year.

Certificate of Eliza Anna & Levi Hench

The committee appointed to prepare a certificate for Elizabeth Anna and Levi Hench have produced one which was read approved and signed and directed to the care of our correspondent to be forwarded.

Reception of Walter Dudley.

Chester Preparative informs that Walter Dudley requests to be joined in membership with Friends. After a full expression of unity the meeting comes to the conclusion to receive him. Samuel [illegible] and James Hicks are appointed to inform him of the meeting's judgment in his case and report to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 5th Mo 21st 186[illegible]

J. Addington returns his minute

John Addington now returns a minute granted him [illegible] with the information that he was attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his own mind which is satisfactorily to the meeting

J. Jefferies minute

Our esteemed friend Joshua Jefferies a minister with whom we have unity informed this meeting a concern which has rested on his mind for some time past to visit in love [illegible] Westfield Quarterly meeting after a time of deliberation thereon unity was expressed with him in the concern and he is liberated to attend thereto as truth opens the way

J. R. Bunch minute

Our esteemed friend James R Bunch a minister with whom we have unity laid before this meeting a concern which has rested with his mind for some time past to visit in love [illegible] Northern Quarterly meeting and [illegible] by [illegible] to attend [illegible] with them to also one of the meetings belonging to the Wabash Quarterly meeting after a time of deliberation thereon unity was expressed with him in the concern and he is liberated to attend thereto as far as truth opens the way

[illegible] friends in the [illegible] Maghehany [illegible] [illegible] left for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] liberated [illegible] both others the [illegible]

[illegible] second and eighth queries [illegible] [illegible] the first [illegible] which a summary [illegible] [illegible] forwarded [illegible] quarterly meeting by [illegible] [illegible] Thomas [illegible] [illegible]dge and David Little [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] attendance with what may [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] to inquire [illegible] [illegible] and report [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] in 3rd [illegible] [illegible] of the quarterly [illegible] [illegible] friends [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The committee continued to see that John [illegible] is [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the service has been attended to.

Queries were read

Com[illegible] [illegible]

Com[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and
produced a certificate [illegible] from
Cherry Grove Monthly Meeting dated
5th mo 8th 1861

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

At Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 6th mo 14th 1861

[illegible] appeared [illegible] [illegible] minute
granted [illegible] [illegible] meeting with
the information that he was hindered
by the sickness therein set forth to
the peace of his own mind which
is satisfactory to the meeting.

Our esteemed friend John Addington
a minister of the gospel of Christ
with whom we have unity
in a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] laid before
this meeting a concern which has
[illegible] with [illegible] in his mind
for some time [illegible] to visit [illegible]
[illegible] of the gospel our county seat,
to attend the meetings there as way
opens for it, and to visit the
families of the [illegible], also to appoint
meetings in Fay county and to attend
such other religious [illegible] in this
and the adjoining counties as he
may [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] friends.
After a time of deliberation thereon
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in
the concern and he [illegible] liberated
and encouraged to attend thereto
under the guidance of the great
Head of the church.

J. Jeffries returns his minute

J. Addington minute

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting.

Jonathan Conrad & Nathan Hodgin are appointed to [illegible] provided for in the [illegible] friend [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] Preparative informs that [illegible] Mary [illegible] Edward C[illegible] [illegible] this meeting [illegible] the quarterly meeting [illegible] Thomas, Jonathan Chamberlain [illegible] Delaware and Barnabel [illegible] are appointed [illegible] committee of friends [illegible] report [illegible].

The committee appointed in 3rd mo. 1861 to have the care of scripture schools the past year now make the following report which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Report

We the committee appointed to have the oversight of First-day scripture schools make the following report. Two schools were opened, one at Chester, the other at [illegible] Bury near the middle of the fourth month. The former continued in the [illegible] six months. Their number

[illegible] attendance 15 average attendance at [illegible]bury 36. both schools progressing to good satisfaction [illegible]
the committee [illegible]
[illegible]

Jeremiah [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] to marry with Mary [illegible]
Samuel C. Mills [illegible]
[illegible] accords with their [illegible] and
[illegible] which [illegible] prepare one and produce it to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Margin: Jeremiah [illegible] certificate

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 7th mo 22nd 1849

James P. Bunch and David Little in compliance now returns the minutes granted them in 3rd mo last with the information that they were attended [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] to the peace of their own minds which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Margin: J.P. Bunch D. Little return their minutes

The friends [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] attend to

Margin: [illegible]

The friends [illegible] have a certificate for [illegible] in order [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] agreed, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to be forwarded.

[illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 115 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] be furnished with a copy of [illegible] [illegible], and on their [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and daily in a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] be furnished [illegible] [illegible] as directed on page 31 of our printed minutes, [illegible] [illegible] the next meeting.

Benjamin [illegible] a minister, and [illegible] his wife and companion, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] attended this meeting, and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from [illegible] [illegible] meeting dated [illegible] 1861.

The meeting then concluded.

At a [illegible] meeting [illegible] of Friends held [illegible] 1861

The committee [illegible] [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] family of [illegible] [illegible] with a copy of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] furnished. They also furnished the following statistics.
Number of [illegible] [illegible] of persons [illegible] [illegible] agreed 1
Number of [illegible] [illegible] 1
Number of members received by certificate

whole number of [illegible] 18
[illegible] 11 [illegible]
[illegible] for [illegible]
been [illegible]
average 5[illegible]
of infants [illegible] meeting [illegible]
under 10 years [illegible]
[illegible]
number of [illegible]
worship 2 [illegible]
5 [illegible]
received [illegible]

Representatives | Accordingly [illegible] meeting [illegible] from the preparative [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] quarterly meeting [illegible] David [illegible] [illegible] and Thomas [illegible] appointed [illegible] and they [illegible] the [illegible] done [illegible]

Rhoda Brin request | Chester preparative informs that [illegible] Brin requests for herself and her minor children [illegible] Lydia [illegible] [illegible] to be joined in membership [illegible] James [illegible] [illegible] Ellen Cox are appointed [illegible] with a like [illegible] friends to visit them on account of their request and report [illegible]

Chester preparative [illegible] [illegible] for herself and her minor [illegible]

Anna [illegible]	Women['s] preparative [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Addington, Ruth K[illegible] and Jonathan Chamberlain [illegible] [illegible] the men and women friends to visit [illegible] account of their request and report to next meeting.
com. to visit J. G. Hamilton	Chester preparative informs that John [illegible] Hamilton? has accomplished his marriage contrary to friends rules. Samuel Hanker? and Joshua Jeffries are appointed to visit him on account thereof and report to next meeting.
J. Barns & E. Hea[illegible] [illegible]	J[illegible] Barns? and Emma Headley? [illegible] request this meeting in writing [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. They [illegible] [accepted] [illegible] [illegible] parents [illegible] to next meeting.
request to change the time of meeting	The meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] holding the [illegible] united in asking the [illegible] monthly meeting to change the hour [illegible] 11 [o'clock] [monthly meeting and] [illegible] [illegible] changing [illegible] the monthly meeting.
	The meeting then concluded.

[illegible] monthly meeting of friends held 9th mo 23 1869 [illegible]

Representatives report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting.

Com to visit Lydia [illegible]

The joint committee [illegible] at last meeting to visit Lydia [illegible] and two minor children on account of their request report they visited them to good satisfaction [illegible] the meeting [illegible] Isaac [illegible] and James [illegible] are appointed to inform them of this meeting's judgment in their case and report to next meeting.

Com to visit Anna [illegible] and children

The joint committee appointed to visit Anna R. [illegible] and her four minor children on account of their request report they visited them to good satisfaction and were united in judgment that it would be right to receive them. Their report is [illegible] to the meeting and they are received accordingly. [illegible] and James [illegible] are appointed to inform them of their reception and report to next meeting.

Com to visit [illegible]

The committee appointed to visit John [illegible] on account of his [illegible] report they visited him [illegible] satisfaction [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Dean King and [illegible] Crawford are appointed to inform him of the meetings decision in his case and report to next meeting.

J. P. Bunch and Eunice Hodgin marriage

James P. Bunch and Eunice Hodgin having made known their intentions of marriage at last meeting and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] their [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with each other they are therefore left at liberty to solemnize their intention according to friends rules. James Hicks is appointed to see that the marriage is orderly [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the hands [illegible] [illegible] and report to next meeting.

Meeting appointed the coming [illegible]

The parties proposing marriage request that a meeting be appointed at the [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] for the purpose of solemnizing their marriage, the request being considered is united with by the meeting and a meeting appointed agreeable to their request.

Time of holding meeting [illegible]

By an extract from the minutes of our late quarterly meeting we are informed that the hour of holding this monthly meeting and the meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] changed from 11 to 10 o'clock agreeably to our request.

Com. to propose a [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] Hamilton and David [illegible] are appointed to propose to next meeting the name of a friend to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of marriage certificates

of marriage certificate — our present [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
of our [illegible]

Jane B[illegible] minute — Jane B[illegible] a minister in the course of a religious visit [illegible] attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Chestnut Hill Monthly meeting [illegible] dated 8th [illegible] 1[illegible] [illegible]

The meeting [illegible] concluded

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
held [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

J. [illegible] returned minute — J[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the minute [illegible] his own mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

Eliza Hollingsworth minute — Our esteemed friend Eliza H[illegible] laid before this meeting [illegible] [illegible] which [illegible] [illegible] her mind [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] may

J. P. Bunch [illegible] — Our esteemed friend James P. Bunch a minister of the gospel [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] part [illegible] in lieu of the [illegible] [illegible] sent [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
After a time of deliberation there was nearly unanimity expressed with [illegible] the decision [illegible] be liberated [illegible] [illegible]

John Addington minute.

[illegible] with [illegible] unity expressed [illegible] visit [illegible] Roy [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] unity [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Committee to see that (in traveling) friends are provided for

[illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] are appointed to see that our friends Eliza H[illegible] James [illegible] and John Addington are [illegible] provided for in their [illegible] visits, and report [illegible] when the service is complied with.

Report of committee to see that John Addington [illegible]

The friends appointed in 6th month [illegible] see that John Addington was [illegible] provided for in his [illegible] visit [illegible] the service has been [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] children [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible] that [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] month [illegible]

1867 [illegible]

[illegible]

Report [illegible] committee [illegible]

Visiting committee report

The committee [illegible] 2nd [illegible] overseers meeting [illegible] visiting [illegible] one [illegible] report [illegible] at their request James Weeks Samuel Miles Broad [illegible] Joseph [illegible] Bunch [illegible] in conjunction with a like com[mittee] [illegible] women friends [illegible] [illegible] a similar committee. Report.

We the committee appointed to visit those who are looking to our society for a home and hold religious meetings where an opportunity offered for religious service [illegible] as way opened for it to good satisfaction [illegible] have had assurance that some good has been accomplished by our humble efforts. Some of our meetings were [illegible] attended and good order was [illegible]. We would recommend the meeting not to lose sight of this great work believing that some may still be opened [illegible] to be performed. We would ask to be released from further service at this time.

Signed, Elihu Cox, Annas [illegible]

[illegible] — [illegible] request [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] make [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]

Comm. to prepare [illegible] — Charles H[illegible] and [illegible] his wife [illegible] [illegible] their right of membership [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] are appointed [illegible] [illegible] necessary enquiry and if [illegible] [illegible] appears [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Comm. to prepare a certificate [illegible] — [illegible] request a certificate of [illegible] [illegible] children [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting [illegible] K[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] are appointed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] appears [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] next meeting.

[illegible] [illegible] concluded.

[illegible] Monthly Meeting of [illegible] held 11th [illegible] 13th 1861.

The friend [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting [illegible] that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] James [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] meeting
[illegible]

Report of the com. to nominate a visiting com.

[illegible] valid [illegible]
[illegible] and they are directed to report in 3rd mo
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] in having [illegible]
[illegible] and
[illegible] following
names viz John Waddington, [illegible]
[illegible], [illegible] Cox, [illegible],
Rebecka Williams, and [illegible] Kendal.

Report of the com. to prepare a cer. for E. Hunt

The friends appointed at last meeting to prepare a certificate for Eliza Hunt, now produced one which was read approved and signed and directed [illegible] the hands of our correspondent to be forwarded.

Com. to prepare a cer. for R. Hollingsworth

The friends appointed at last meeting to prepare a certificate for Nathan Hollingsworth [illegible] Eliza [illegible] report [illegible] given [illegible] attention to [illegible] continued and directed to report to next meeting.

Com. to prepare a cer. for R. Thomas

The friends appointed to prepare a certificate [illegible] H. [illegible] and [illegible] produced one which was read approved and signed and directed [illegible] the hands of our correspondent [illegible] forwarded.

Delegates

The [illegible] [illegible], David [illegible], Wilson Kendall and [illegible] attend the

[illegible] ... attendance [illegible] ... them [illegible]

Com. to prepare cert. for Solena Mendenhall	Solena Mendenhall requests a certificate of the right of membership of herself and minor children to [illegible] monthly meeting. Jacob J. [illegible] [illegible] to be appointed in conjunction with women friends to make the necessary inquiry and if no obstruction appears prepare one and produce it to next meeting.
Receipt from the Book and Tract Com.	Received [illegible] from the central Book and Tract [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the sum of $11.75 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting.

Cornelius [illegible] a minister in the course of a religious visit [illegible] attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Deer Creek Monthly meeting dated 11th Mo 13th 1861.

Thomas [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Cornelius [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] a minute of unity [illegible] from Deer Creek monthly meeting dated 11th Mo 13th 1861.

[illegible] [illegible] in the course of a [illegible] [illegible] they attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Goshen Monthly meeting Ohio dated 11th mo 10th (1867)

Mary C. Ferris companion to Mary Elliott acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Green Plain Monthly Meeting dated 11th mo 13th 1867

The meeting then concluded.

Chester monthly meeting 12th mo 12th 1867

E. H. returns her minute

Eliza Hollingsworth now returns the minute granted her in 10th month last and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as [illegible] opened the way to the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by [illegible] [illegible] meeting

com con-tinued to prepare one for W. H.

The minute continued at last meeting to prepare if way should open for it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Hollingsworth and Eliza [illegible] [illegible] that way has not [illegible] opened to give a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] are continued and [illegible] to report to next meeting

Representatives rep

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting and had received [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the printed minutes of our late yearly meeting [illegible] [illegible] London general epistle

[illegible]	The friends [illegible] meeting
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
	read [illegible] and [illegible] directed
	[illegible]
	forwarded.
[illegible]	The friends [illegible] meeting
[illegible]	to [illegible] pay [illegible]
[illegible]	subscribed to [illegible]
[illegible]	committee [illegible]
[illegible]	performed
	The following extract from the minutes
Extract	of the quarterly meeting has been
from	received. The [illegible] directed to
the [illegible]	raise in [illegible] the
[illegible]	sum of $[illegible] 64 [illegible]
	of the [illegible] meeting [illegible]
	and [illegible]
	is directed [illegible]
	with [illegible]
	Extract
	At [illegible] meeting of
	friends [illegible]
	meeting [illegible]
	[illegible] $[illegible]
	being our [illegible]
	[illegible] and pay the amount [illegible] the
	hands of [illegible]
	of [illegible]
	also directed [illegible] $[illegible] having
	expenses [illegible]
	[illegible]
	[illegible]
	[illegible]
	[illegible]
	minutes of [illegible] meeting aforesaid
	[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Friends [illegible]
[illegible] and fitly [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] truly encouraging
and strengthening to us,

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held [illegible] 1865

[illegible] Lippincott [illegible]
[illegible] in 10th mo last
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Wilkins and Eliza his
wife have [illegible]
was read [illegible] signed,

The women's [illegible] Friends [illegible]
[illegible] in conjunction with
Women Friends to bring forward
[illegible] Friends to [illegible]
a Committee on education, viz.
James Weeks Isaac [illegible]
Joshua [illegible] and David [illegible]

Isaac [illegible] and Keziah his
wife request a certificate [illegible]
[illegible]

Margin notes: [illegible] / [illegible] / [illegible] / [illegible] / [illegible] / [illegible] / [illegible] / [illegible] / Comm / [illegible] minute / education / Comm / [illegible] / [illegible]

Certificate for I. Commons and family [illegible]	and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] if no obstruction appear they [illegible] bring and produce it to the next meeting.
	The meeting then concluded.
	Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2nd [illegible] 4th Mo [illegible]
State of society	The first second and eighth queries have been read in this meeting with answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by Thos. C. Pickett, Samuel Bunnell, Martha [illegible] and Eli Cadwalader whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.
Committee to prepare a certificate for I. Commons and family	The friends appointed at last meeting to prepare a certificate for Isaac Commons and family have produced one which was read approved and signed.
Education committee	The committee appointed at last meeting to bring forward names of friends to constitute a committee on education give the names of Thomas C. Hawkins, Francis Crampton, Eli Cadwalader, Eunice Bunnell, Melissa [illegible] and Marian King who being united with are appointed to that service.
	The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Monies

[illegible] in 1[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] balances [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] its in readiness the treasurer is directed to pay it over to the [illegible] [illegible] treasurer. The money [illegible] to be raised for yearly [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] not [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Committee to assist those who require aid.

The committee continued in 2nd month last to assist those who require pecuniary aid now report as [illegible] which is satisfactory to the meeting and they are continued with the addition [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] committee and they are directed to report as way opens for it. The treasurer is directed to pay into the hands of the committee $17.85 being the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the committee and they are authorized to draw on the treasurer for funds as occasion requires.

Report

We the committee continued in 2nd [illegible] last to have the care and oversight of those who require aid and assistance make the following report. We have given assistance as follows. Funeral expenses 16.34 clothing and provisions 61.12 traveling expenses for ministers 36.00. Total 1[illegible]8.[illegible]6 amount received by the committee 16.41 [illegible] indebtedness 1.54 On behalf of the committee

Jacob P. Hampton
[illegible] [illegible]

A certificate of membership was received for [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] [illegible]

certificate of membership of Mary Cox — Monthly meeting [illegible] [illegible] 23rd 1867 [illegible] read [illegible] the clerk is directed to [illegible] the [illegible] on behalf of the meeting and [illegible] to [illegible] meeting.

Com. to nominate clerks and messenger — Dean King [illegible] [illegible] Crumpton and David [illegible] are appointed to confer together and propose to the next meeting the names of [illegible] for clerk of this meeting the ensuing year one for assistant and [illegible] messenger.

Ministers in attendance — John Cary a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Back Creek Monthly meeting dated 10th mo 14th 1867.

Charles [illegible] companion to John Cary acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Fairmount Monthly meeting dated 9th mo 5th 1867.

The meeting then concluded.

[illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] and 5th [illegible] 1867 [illegible]

Representatives report — The representatives report they all attended [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Clerks and messenger — The committee [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of a friend [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] one ensuing year [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] messenger [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

assistant and Albert Pickett for [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] and they are appointed to the service.

Com. to recommend a first-day scripture school committee — Dean King, [illegible], Stephen Williams and David [illegible] are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women's meeting to [illegible] and [illegible] the names of friends to take the care and oversight of First day scripture schools the ensuing year.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th mo 21st 1870.

appointment of scripture school committee — The friends appointed at last meeting to bring forward the names of friends to constitute a first day scripture school committee the ensuing year offer the names of Dean King, Jacob Hampton, Stephen Williams, Melissa Miles, Esther King, Eunice Bunch and Sarah A. Johnson who being united with are appointed to the service and directed to report in 4th month next.

Report of scripture school committee for 69 — The committee appointed in 4th month last to have the care and oversight of firstday scripture schools the past year now make the following satisfactory report.

Report

We have given attention to the object of our appointment, Schools were opened at Chester and Woodberry about the middle of 4th mo. School at Chester

continued 5½ months Average attendance about 56, Woodberry school continued 4 months average attendance 32, General deportment of scholars good and schools closed to satisfaction. Signed Isaac Votaw
Sarah Ann Johnson

Com. to settle with the treasurer

Nathan Hodgin Milton Pickett and Wilson Kendall are appointed to settle with the treasurer of this meeting and propose the name of a friend to serve as treasurer, and report to next meeting.

The meeting then closed.

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 5th Mo. 14th 1870

State of society

The first second and eighth queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from one of the preparative which being considered is directed to our ensuing quarterly meeting by Milton Pickett John D. Hampton Nathan Dudley and Jesse Hunt whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting

Report of com. to settle with the treasurer

The committee appointed to settle with the treasurer and and propose the name of a friend to serve as treasurer report his accounts in proper order and find a balance of $56.15 in the treasury and they propose the name of Thomas C. Strawbridge for treasurer with whom the meeting unites and he is appointed to that service, and the former treasurer is directed to pay into his hands the

amount in the treasury.

Monies

The preparatives report the money continued to be raised in second month last has not yet all been paid in the subject is again continued and they are directed to report to next meeting, and this meetings treasurer is directed to pay over the funds in his hands to Clarkson Thomas treasurer of the quarterly meeting

Extract from the minutes of the Qt. Mt.

The following extract from the minutes of the ~~monthly~~ quarterly meeting has been received

Extract

At New Garden Quarterly meeting of Friends held 2nd Mo 26th 1870

Monthly meetings are directed to attend to the following subjects as directed by our last Yearly Meeting and contained in the minutes 1st to enter upon their records the changes of correspondants and the appointments in our own and other Yearly meetings as noted in the minutes

2nd To read for consideration and proffit (wher it has not already been done) the minute made in the yearly meeting during the consideration of the State of Society

3rd To raise in their respective proportions $1568 this meetings aportionment of $11200 directed raised to increase the Yearly meetings treasury Taken from the minutes of the meeting

C J Woodard Clerk

Correspondent of New York yearly Meeting

For New York Monthly Meeting
William R. Thurston, 141 William
Street New York,

Oswego Monthly Meeting
Joseph [illegible]
Poughkeepsie N.Y

Butternuts Monthly Meeting
Joseph Bull
West Oneonta Otsego Co.,
N.Y.

Marlborough Monthly Meeting
George [illegible]
Milton, Ulster Co. N.Y.

Farnham Monthly Meeting
[illegible],
East Farnham Providence of Quebec
Canada

of Ohio yearly meeting

For Damascus Monthly Meeting
Robert Stanley
Damascoville Mahoning Co. Ohio

Adrian Monthly Meeting
Joseph Gibbons Robert ~~[illegible]~~
Adrian, Michigan.

Raisin Monthly Meeting
Peleg C Haviland
Raisin, Michigan.

Rollin Monthly Meeting
William Beal
Rollin, Michigan,

Ypsilanti Monthly Meeting
Edward Gorden
Ypsilanti Michigan.

Correspondents of the [illegible] monthly meetings of our own monthly meetings

Center Monthly Meeting
John [illegible]
Wilmington Ohio

Deer creek Monthly Meeting
Daniel [illegible]
Jonesboro Indiana

Shawnee Monthly Meeting
John [illegible]
[illegible]

Report of visiting committee

The Committee appointed in 11th mo. last to visit [illegible] [illegible] are looking toward our [illegible] [illegible] and to hold meetings among small [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] satisfactory report. Jacob [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Samuel Miles [illegible] [illegible] and James [illegible] Bunch are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women friends, to propose to next meeting the names of friends to constitute a committee to have the care of this important work.

Report

To [illegible] the [illegible] of friends [illegible] Dear Friends,

Since our [illegible] appointment [illegible] [illegible] endeavored to labor as [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the cause for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] friends and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] desire to serve [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] enter into this field and labor [illegible] be the means of doing much good and [illegible] [illegible] as small [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] propose to the [illegible] meetings [illegible] [illegible] of the committee. Signed

John [illegible] Anna M. [illegible]

~~Trustees~~

~~Joshua Griffiths requests to be released from serving as trustee of this Monthly Meeting's property, his resignation is accepted and David [illegible] is appointed in his stead~~

Request to have the hour of meeting changed,

Oweing to the great inconvenience of holding our Firstday scripture school so early in the morning this meeting has had under consideration the propriety of changing the hour of commencing the meeting and is united in asking the Quarterly meeting to change the hour of convening this Monthly meeting and its subordinate meetings from 10 to 11 O'clock.

The Meeting then concluded,

Chester Monthly Meeting of friends held 6th mo, 23rd 1870

Representatives report,

The representatives report they attended the quarterly meeting

Monies

The preparatives [illegible] report a deficiency [illegible] to be raised at last meeting the subject is [illegible] and they are directed to report to next meeting

com, to nominate a visiting committee

The committee appointed at last meeting to propose to this the names of friends to constitute a committee to visit those who are looking toward friends society for a home and to hold meetings among friends and others as way opens for it [illegible] offer the following named [illegible]

[illegible] that we not [illegible]

[illegible] Johnson [illegible] King [illegible] Rachel Jeffries and [illegible] and they are [illegible] to [illegible] in [illegible] the [illegible] next.

[illegible]

Extract from the minutes of [illegible] meeting

[illegible]

[illegible]	1,11	[illegible]	
[illegible]		[illegible]	2,11,11
[illegible]	16,55		131,31
[illegible]	11,		[illegible]
[illegible]	53,41		[illegible]
[illegible]	13,6		31,44

The [illegible] of meetings that are deficient are [illegible] to give particular attention to the matter and report again to next meeting.

By the reports from [illegible] meeting it appears that said meeting requests that [illegible] both of the [illegible] meeting and [illegible] from 10 to 11 o'clock [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting [illegible] next.

[illegible] the minutes [illegible] meeting

[illegible]

Certificate for Jos. Hinds and family

A certificate of membership has been received for Jos. Hinds and Mary his wife with their minor children Rebecca, [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] Mo. Meeting dated [illegible] mo [illegible] 1870 which has been read and accepted. John Addington and Joshua Jeffries are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women's meeting to visit [illegible] them at meeting.

[illegible] certificate [illegible] family

A certificate of membership has been received for [illegible] and [illegible] his wife with their minor children Carrie B., Emma L. and Sallie M. [illegible] from Miami Monthly meeting dated 4th mo. 20th 1870 which has been read and accepted. Thomas [illegible] and Isaac [illegible] are appointed in conjunction with a like committee [illegible] to visit them in the reception and [illegible] [illegible]. The clerk is directed to acknowledge the reception of the same [illegible] [illegible]

~~[illegible]~~

Trustee nominated

Joshua Jeffries requests to be released from serving this meeting as trustee his resignation is accepted and the name of David [illegible] is proposed to fill the vacancy.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7th mo 21st 1870.

James [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with [illegible]

James Bud[illegible] return [illegible] | [illegible] appointed [illegible] meeting [illegible] not [illegible] of [illegible] would [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Report of Comm[illegible] [illegible] | The committee appointed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that James [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] were suitably [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] | The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] definitely [illegible] continued to be raised at next meeting the subject is again referred to their [illegible], and they [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the sum of $30 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and report to next meeting.

Com. to visit [illegible] [illegible] | The committee appointed at last meeting to visit [illegible] [illegible] and family on the reception of their [illegible] report the [illegible] has been performed.

Com. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] | The committee appointed at last meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and family on the reception of their certificate [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] | Joshua Jeffries [illegible] requested to be released from [illegible] this meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], and the [illegible] of David [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

at last meeting is now united with and he is appointed to fill the vacancy. The clerk is directed to have a copy of this minute entered on the county records and report at next meeting.

Com. to [illegible] overseers

Nelson Williams, [illegible] Davis Little and [illegible] are appointed in the to consider the propriety of a change of overseers and if way opens [illegible] it proper to [illegible] the [illegible] to fill that station.

Com. to make a new ratio between the preparatives

James P. Bunn, Mahlon Johnson, James Weeks and Nathan Hodgin are appointed to make out a new ratio between the preparatives by which to raise money in future and report to next meeting.

Com. to collect statistics

Franklin Crampton and Albert Picketts are appointed to assist the overseers in ascertaining if each family of friends is furnished with a copy of the holy scriptures and whether a portion thereof is read daily in each family in a collective capacity and further directed [illegible] to collect such statistics as required in the printed minutes of the yearly meeting and report to next meeting.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Monthly Meeting of Friends held 5 mo [illegible] 1876

J Addington minute

Our esteemed friend John Addington [illegible] with unity [illegible] in [illegible] meeting [illegible] on [illegible] to visit in love [illegible] or otherwise the meetings constituting Salem Quarterly Meeting Iowa and if way opens for it attend the quarterly meeting. Also to attend to such religious service in the state of Iowa as he may feel called for, in the state of Indiana going and returning. After due consideration thereon full unity and sympathy were expressed with him in the concern and he liberated and encouraged to attend to his prospect as truth opens the way.

J D Hampton minute

Our beloved friend Jacob D Hampton an elder in unity with us expressed in this meeting a concern to accompany our friend John Addington in his proposed religious visit to the meetings constituting Salem Quarterly meeting &c, as set forth in a minute granted him at this meeting. After due deliberation thereon unity was expressed with him in the concern and he liberated and encouraged to attend to his prospect as truth opens the way.

Queries and answers

All the queries have been read in this meeting with written answers & a copy of the [illegible] from which a summary has been [illegible]

and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing quarterly meeting by the following [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] appointed our representatives [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Albert [illegible] and James Bunch, and they are directed to report to next meeting.

Monies

The preparatives report the money [illegible] to be raised at last meeting for yearly meeting stock has not all been paid in, the subject is again referred to the preparatives and the treasurer is directed to pay over the funds in his hands to the treasurer of the quarterly meeting. Also the money directed to be raised at last meeting to replenish this meeting's treasury not being all raised the subject is continued and the preparative are directed to report to next meeting.

Overseers

The committee appointed at last meeting to consider [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] overseers [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Milton [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and Stephen [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the meeting [illegible] and they are appointed [illegible] that service.

Separate rate between the preparative

The committee appointed to make out a new rate between the preparatives by which to raise money in future [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Wilmington [illegible] The committee appointed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] are [illegible] they [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

No.	[illegible]	10
No.	received by their own request	5
No.	[illegible]	7
No.	[illegible]	[illegible]
No.	of members	2?4
No.	[illegible]	1?5
No.	[illegible]	1?1
No.	disowned	0
No.	resigned	1
No.	removed by certificate	24
No.	of deaths	2
	Average age at deaths	82 years 9 mo
No.	[illegible] under one year	0
No.	" " between one and ten	0
	Average age omitting those under ten	82 9
No.	of [illegible]	31
No.	[illegible] of families	10
No.	[illegible]	1
No.	recorded ministers	3
No.	meetings without a recorded minister	

Certificate of membership [illegible]

A certificate of membership has been received for William [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] North [illegible] dated 9th [illegible] endorsed by [illegible] [illegible] which was read and [illegible] [illegible] Bunker and Thomas [illegible] are appointed to visit him on his reception and report to next meeting. The clerk is directed to inform [illegible] monthly meeting of the reception of this certificate [illegible] [illegible]

Com. to see that ministers be provided for the ensuing year

[illegible] Hodgin [illegible] King and Thomas [illegible] are appointed to see that ministers [illegible] by this meeting [illegible] suitably provided for, and report to [illegible] meeting [illegible]

Solomon Bond requests a certificate

Solomon Bond and Eliza Ann his wife request a certificate of the rights of membership for themselves and five minor children to Sugar River Monthly Meeting. Eli Hodgin, James Peck and Jacob T. Hampton are appointed to make the necessary inquiry and if no obstruction appears prepare one and produce it to the next meeting.

Mordica Hugel minute

Mordica [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] minute of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting dated [illegible]

[illegible] concluded.

[illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

J. Haddington returns his minute

[illegible]

J. Hampton returns his minute

[illegible]

[illegible]

Representatives report — [illegible]

[illegible] — [illegible]

[illegible] also directed to raise the[illegible] respective ratios the sum of $42 to pay the travelling expenses of ministers liberated [illegible]

Report of Committee about W.M.H. — [illegible]

[illegible] a certificate for the Board [illegible] — [illegible]

[illegible]

Extract from the Quarterly meeting — The following extract from the minutes [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] to raise
[illegible] and report
to next meeting
[illegible]
[illegible]

Com. to confer with Quarterly meetings com on subject of [illegible]

[illegible] King Isaac [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] Kendall and [illegible] are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of [illegible] to confer with the committee appointed at our last Quarterly meeting to consider the condition of the preparative meeting of ministers and elders and to judge of the gifts and qualifications of such as ~~are~~ may be brought forward to be appointed to the station of elders and report to next meeting

Minute for Friends in [illegible]

[illegible] a minister of [illegible] Monthly meeting is acceptably in attendance of this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from [illegible]

George [illegible] a minister of [illegible] is acceptably in attendance of this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from [illegible]

[illegible]

produced a minute of unity and concurrence from the meeting of which he is a member dated 9th Mo 8th 1876,

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 10th Mo 26th 1876

Report of com on elders

The committee appointed at last meeting to confer with the Quarterly meetings committee on the subject of elders &c, report they have attended to the service, and the joint committee of the quarterly and monthly meetings make the following report, which being considered it united with, and Nathan Hodgin David Little Jacob D. Hampton Rachel Jeffries and Mary Little are retained as elders and Dean King and Anna M. Bolton are appointed to that station. The clerk is directed to furnish the preparative meeting of ministers and elders with an extract from this minute.

Report

The joint committee appointed by the Quarterly and monthly meeting on the subject of elders &c report we have conferred together, and are united in proposing that our present elders be retained, and also propose ~~that~~ the names of Dean King and Anna M. Bolton to be appointed to that station which we submit to the meeting.

On behalf of the joint committee

[illegible] Parker, clerk

J Addington minute	Our beloved friend John Addington a minister of the gospel with whom we have good unity laid before this meeting a concern to visit in the love of the gospel Randolph county and some of the northern and western counties of this state to appoint and hold meetings amongst friends and others and perform such other gospel labor as he feels called for at his hands. After a time of deliberation thereon full unity was expressed with him in the concern and he liberated and encouraged to attend thereto under the guidance of the great head of the church
Monies	The preparatives report a part of the money continued to be raised at last meeting has been paid in the subject is again refered to them and they are directed to report to next meeting
com to prepare a certificate for I Bond and family	The committee continued at last meeting to prepare if way should open for it a certificate for Isaiman Bond and family report the service has not yet been performed, they are continued and directed to report to next meeting
com to prepare a certificate of or M Johnson and family	Mahlon Johnson and Sarah Ann his wife request a certificate of the rights of membership of themselves and two minor children to West Union monthly meeting Isaac Votaw and Alfred Williams are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of womens meeting to make the necessary enquiry and if no obstruction appears prepare one and produce it to next meeting.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] John McLaughlin [illegible] of the [illegible] feeling [illegible] to [illegible] and attend the [illegible] within the limits of [illegible] meeting [illegible]

After due deliberation thereon full unity was expressed with him in the concern and he liberated and encouraged to attend thereto as truth opens the way.

Our beloved friend Anna McBride an elder with whom we have good unity laid before this meeting a concern to visit the [illegible] of the gospel the widows and [illegible] within the limits of this monthly meeting also some families [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] was opened with her in the [illegible] and the [illegible] and encouraged to attend there as truth opens the way

Monies — The proportion reported for money continued to be raised at last meeting [illegible] not yet all been paid in they are continued to collect same and directed to report to next meeting and this meetings treasurer is directed to borrow 55.00 being our deficiency of money for [illegible] meeting stock pay it into the [illegible] of the Quarterly meetings treasurer and report to next meeting

certificate for M. Johnson and family — The committee appointed at last meeting to prepare a certificate for Marion Johnson and family have produced one which was read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded

certificate for Bond and family — The committee continued to prepare a certificate for Solomon Bond and family have produced one which was read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded

representatives — We appoint Henry Rider for [illegible] Elias Hobson and [illegible] to attend the ensuing quarterly meeting as our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 12th mo 21st 1870

Joshua Jeffries now returns the minute granted him at last meeting with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the satisfaction and peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

Representative report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting and except one and had directed to their care our portion of the printed minutes of our late yearly meeting also of the London general epistle a copy of which has been read at this time to our edification

Extract from qrt. Mt.

The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received. The preparatives are directed to raise in their respective proportions the sum of one hundred and twenty nine dollars and twenty cents $129,20 for yearly meeting stock pay it into the hands of the monthly meeting's treasurer and report in 5th Mo next also to raise the sum of $5,50 to pay the traveling expences of ministers liberated by the quarterly meeting to travel in truths service and report it in second mo. next. Chester preparative being deficient on former directions it is directed to raise its deficiency and report to next meeting.

Extract

At ~~a meeting~~ Newgarden Quarterly

meeting of friends held 11th mo 26th 1870
Monthly meetings are directed to attend to the following subjects as directed by our last yearly meeting

1st To read for consideration the minute made in the yearly meeting embodying the exercise of the meeting during the consideration of the state of society

2nd to raise in their respective proportions $1174.50 our apportionment of $8,700 directed raised for the treasury and also their respective deficiencies of stock directed last year and pay the money into the hands of our treasurer and report definitely to this meeting in 5th mo next.

They are also directed to raise $50 and place in the hands of the treasurer to be drawn by the committee now standing appointed to provide for [illegible] in the prosecution of his visit to the meetings of Western yearly meeting and report to next meeting

Taken from the minutes of the meeting aforesaid
Cornelius J. Ward Clk.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly meeting of Friends held 1st Mo 19th 1871

Our beloved friend Joshua Jeffries a minister of the Gospel with whom we have unity laid before this meeting a concern which has rested on his mind for some time past to attend in the love of the Gospel [illegible] quarterly meeting and to visit by appointment [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] constitution

[illegible] [illegible] consideration there on full unity and sympathy were expressed with him in the concern and he liberated and encouraged to attend thereto in truth of his the way

Anna M. Coleman now returns the minute granted her in 11th mo last with the information that she has attended to the service therein set forth to the satisfaction and peace of her mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Monies — The [illegible] preparative reports its individual dues raised and paid over as directed.

Req. for a certificate for O. H. — Oliver H. Hampton requests a certificate of his right of membership to [illegible] Monthly meeting Samuel Miles and Samuel Bunker are appointed to make the necessary enquiry and if no obstruction appears prepare one and produce it to next meeting

E. Hodgin and R. E. Lewelling int. of marriage — Elias M. Hodgin and Rachel E. Lewelling informed this meeting in writing that with divine permission and friends approbation they intend marriage with each other parents consent being also given

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 2nd mo 23rd 1871.

Joshua Jeffries now returns the minute granted him at last meeting with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his own mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

queries — The first second and eighth queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives, from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing quarterly meeting by Jacob D Hampton Henry King James P. Bunch and Wilson Kendall, whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting

Monies — The preparatives report the money directed to be raised to pay the traveling expences of ministers liberated by the quarterly meeting is in readiness.

certificate for O. H. — The committee appointed to prepare a certificate for Oliver H. Hampton have produced one which has been been read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded.

E. Hodgin and R. Lindley proposition — Elias M. Hodgin and Rachel E. Lindley having made known at last meeting their intentions of marriage with each other, no obstruction appears to their proceedure with said intentions. They are therefore left at liberty

to accomplish their marriage according to friends rules. By request of the parties a meeting is appointed on the 3rd of 3rd month at 11 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of solemnizing their marriage. James Weeks is appointed to see that a marriage certificate is prepared and read; place it in the hands of the recorder and report to next meeting.

Com. to nominate overseer

One of the overseers from Woodberry preparative having removed out of our limits Nathan Hodgin David Hillis and Jesse Hunt are appointed to confer together and propose the name of a friend to fill the vacancy and report to next meeting.

Committee to visit preparative &c

The following named friends are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to visit our preparative meetings for their help and encouragement, also to visit some families as way opens for it and to appoint and hold meetings within our limits as truth opens the way viz Thomas C. Stanbridge John Addington James Weeks and Joshua Jeffries, and they are directed to report as way opens for it.

Com. to nominate clerks

James Weeks Isaac Votaw and David Hillis are appointed to confer together and propose to next meeting the name of a friend to serve this meeting as clerk the ensuing year one for assistant and one for messenger.

The meeting then concluded.

M Bond received

Chester preparative informs that Mahlon Bond requests to be joined in membership with friends. After due consideration there on by this and womens meeting, his request was united with and he is received into membership

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 3rd Mo. 23rd 1871

clerks appointed

The friends appointed at last meeting to propose the name of a friend to serve this meeting as clerk the ensuing year, one for assistant and one for messenger offer the name of Wilson Kendall for clerk Henry King for assistant and Albert Pickett for messenger. The names proposed being united with, they are appointed to the service,

Representatives report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting

report of friend app to see that marriage certificate is prepared

The friend appointed at last meeting to see that a marriage certificate was prepared for Elias Hodgin and Rachel C Llewelling reports one was prepared and read but having failed to place it in the hands of the recorder he is continued and directed to report to next meeting

The committee appointed to propose the name of a friend to serve as overseer for place of

Overseer appointed

Eli Cadwalader offers the name of Jesse Hunt with whom the meeting unites and he is appointed to that service

Scripture school committee

The following named friends are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to have the care and oversight of scripture schools the ensuing year viz, Elias M Hodgin David Leith Isaac Nelson Wilson Kendall and James P Bundy, and they are directed to report in third month next

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of Friends held 4th the 12 mo 1871

John Addington returns his minute

John Addington now returns the minute [illegible] granted him in 10th month last with the information that he has attended to the service [illegible] set forth to the peace of his own mind, which is satisfactory to the meeting

M. Kendall minute

Our beloved friend Martha E, Kendall a member with whom we have unity, laid before this meeting a concern which has rested on her mind for some time past to visit in love of the gospel as way opens for it the families belonging to this monthly meeting and more especially the parts of families and those who through discouragement do not attend our meetings

regularly. After due consideration there on unity was expressed with ~~him~~ in the concern and he liberated and encouraged to attend there to as truth opens the way

J Bunchs minute

Our beloved friend James P Bunch a minister with whom we have unity laid before this meeting a concern which rested on his mind for some time past to visit in love of the gospel by appointment or otherwise some of the meetings north of Indianapolis mostly in Hamilton county also a few meetings near Plainfield Indiana. After due consideration there on unity was expressed with him in the concern and he liberated and encouraged to attend there to as truth opens the way

certificate received for N Reese and wife

A certificate of membership has been received for Needham Reese and Mary his wife from Dover monthly meeting Indiana dated 4th mo 1st 1871 which has been read and accepted. Thomas C Strawbridge Dean King and Joshua Jefferies are appointed to visit them on their reception and report to next meeting
(interlined: with a few of the committee of women in conjunction)

report of scripture school com

The committee appointed in 3rd mo 1871 to have the care and oversight of firstday scripture schools the past year now make the following report which is satisfactory to the meeting

Report

The committee having ... of first

[illegible] the past
year. A first day school has been
conducted during the first year
one at [illegible] for about 6 months
and one at [illegible] for four
months. We believe they were both
profitable and instructive to both young and
all to those who were regular attenders.

Report of visiting committee

The committee appointed in 6th month last
to hold meetings visit families &c
now make the following Report which
is accepted.

Report

We have paid some attention to
the object of our appointment.
We held a few meetings during
the summer to pretty good
satisfaction.

On behalf of the committee
Dean King
Rachel Jeffries

Chester Monthly meeting of friends
held 5th Mo 25th 1871

J Bunch returns his minute

James L. Bunch now returns the
minute granted him at last
meeting, with the information that
he has attended to the service
there in set forth to the peace
of his mind which is satisfactory
to the meeting.

queries and answers

The first second and eighth
queries have been read in this
meeting with written answers
from the preparatives from
the preparatives from which a
summary has been taken and

directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly Meeting by David Little Nathan T. Williams John P. Hampton and Mahlon Bond whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting

complaint N. Reese and wife report — The committee appointed to visit Needham Reese and wife on the receipt of their certificate, report the service has been performed

Moneys — The preparatives report on raising money for yearly meeting stock as follows

Chester $7.73

Woodberry 7.25

the treasurer is directed to pay over the same to the treasurer of the Quarterly meeting, and the preparatives being deficient are directed to raise their respective deficiencies and report to next meeting

Extract from Qt. mt. — The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received

viz New Garden Quarterly meeting held 2nd Mo. 25th 1871

the committee appointed at last meeting to propose a ratio of apportionment between the monthly meetings proposed the following which was adopted and our subordinate meetings are directed to be governed by it in future in raising money unless otherwise directed by this meeting. White River 13

New Garden 35 Dover 18

Cherry Grove 15 Poplar Run 8 Chester 1

Certificate for A Dore and family

A certificate of membership was received for Ozni Dore and Elizabeth his wife with their minor children Sarah Ann, Thomas, Isaac, Mary Jane, [illegible] and Wilbur from White Water monthly meeting dated 3rd mo 22 1871 which was read and accepted John Ridlington [illegible] King and Thomas C. Stanbridge are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to visit them in their reception and report to next meeting

Certificate for Leah Weesner

A certificate of membership has been received for Leah Weesner from Spiceland monthly meeting dated 4th mo 6 1871 which was read and received.

Ministers in attendance

Elias Newlin and Rodema his wife ministers in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from South River Iowa Monthly meeting dated 11th mo 21st 1870 endorsed by South River quarterly meeting held 17th of 12th mo 1870.

Amos Bond a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Deer Creek monthly meeting dated 5th mo 13th 1871 and Cornelius Doggett a minister from the same meeting and produced a minute bearing same date.

Susan Ratliff a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced

a minute of unity and concurrence from Mississinewa Monthly meeting dated 3rd mo 18th 1871

Adaline E Kersey a companion to Susan Ratliff acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from Back Creek Monthly meeting dated 4th mo 13th 1871

~~The meeting concluded~~

Request to have our meeting reestablished on first day during 2d m:

The subject of having our meeting reestablished on first day during the quarterly meeting was again brought before the meeting and weight to quite a number of our members being unable to attend the quarterly meeting and are deprived from attending any meeting for worship on that day we are united in asking the quarterly meeting to reestablish the meeting at Chester preparative on that day.

The meeting concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 6th mo 22d 1871

M. Kendall returns her minute

Martha J Kendall now returns the minute granted her in the 4th month last with the information that she has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of her own mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

Representatives report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting except one

Com. to visit R. Doan report — The committee appointed at last meeting to visit Rel. Doan and family on the [illegible] of their [illegible] report the service has been performed.

Money — The preparatives still being deficient on raising money for yearly meeting stock the subject is again referred to their care and they are directed to report in 5th month next.

Extract from Q.M. — The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received. The preparatives are directed to raise in their respective proportions the sum of $11 pay it into the hands of this meeting's treasurer and report in 5th month next. They are also directed to raise the sum of $41 pay it into the hands of the quarterly meeting's treasurer to be used by the committee standing appointed to see that our ministers [illegible] in truth's service are suitably provided for, and report as soon as ~~[illegible]~~

Extract

At Newgarden quarterly meeting of friends held 5th mo 27th 1871

The monthly meetings that are behind with their quota of the yearly meeting stock are directed to raise their respective deficiencies and report again at next meeting. They are also directed to raise in their respective ratios $106 and pay the money into the hands of our treasurer for the use of the committee now standing appointed to provide for ministers liberated by the quarterly meeting to travel abroad

taken from

the minutes of the meeting
C J Woodard clerk

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 1st Mo 26 1871

J Jeffries minute

Our beloved friend Joshua Jeffries a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity laid before this meeting a concern to attend in love of the gospel [illegible] quarterly meeting and the meetings [illegible] constituting it also to perform some religious labor within the limits of [illegible] Water and New Garden quarterly meetings after due deliberation thereon full unity was expressed with him in this concern and he was liberated and is encouraged to attend thereto as truth opens the way

J Addington minute

Our beloved friend John Addington a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity laid before this meeting a concern to attend [illegible] of the gospel in [illegible] and some of the adjoining counties to attend Poplar Run monthly meeting also to attend [illegible] quarterly meeting and [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] after due deliberation thereon full unity [illegible] with him in the

[illegible] desired and [illegible] thankful [illegible] truth [illegible]

J. Birch's minute

Our beloved friend James [illegible] Birch [illegible] laid before [illegible] meeting [illegible] White Lick [illegible] and Walnut Ridge [illegible] meetings [illegible] at [illegible] and attended [illegible] as truth

opens the way

[illegible] in the work, [illegible] there [illegible] full [illegible] with [illegible] liberated [illegible] [illegible]

John Walters request and is received into membership

[illegible] informing that John Walters requests to be [illegible] this [illegible] meeting we are united in granting his request and he is received a member accordingly. Dean King and [illegible] Hampton are appointed to inform him of this meeting's judgment [illegible] and report to next meeting.

Com. to prepare statistics

[illegible] friends [illegible] answers [illegible] and statistical [illegible] Hampton [illegible] and David [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Ministers in Attendance

Absalom Dennis a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptibly attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from Cherry Grove monthly meeting dated 7th mo 8th 1871.

Elijah Hinshaw companion to our friend Absalom Dennis acceptibly attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from a committee appointed by Cherry Grove monthly meeting to see that its ministers traveling expenses are not truly provided for.

Then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 8th mo 24th 1871.

Queries and answers

All the queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives, from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to our next quarterly meeting by the following named friends whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting. Viz. Isaac Lolaw David Little Benjamin Pickett and Nathan H Wilkins.

Report of Statistical com.

Our statistical committee have furnished us with appropriate statistics which are directed to be forwarded on our reports to the quarterly meeting

report of com. to inform J. Walters

The committee appointed to inform John Walters of this meeting's decision in his case, report the service has been attended to.

extract from Qt. mt.

By an extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting we are informed that the quarterly meeting is united in granting our request to have the meeting for worship at Chester reestablished on firstday during the quarterly meeting and it is reestablished at 11 o'clock A.M.

E. Cadwalader requests a certificate

Eli Cadwalader requests a certificate of the right of membership of himself and minor children to New Garden monthly meeting. David Little and Madison Bond were appointed, in conjunction with a similar one of women friends, to make the necessary enquiry and if no obstruction appears prepare one and produce it to next meeting

Moneys

The preparatives report the money directed to be raised to pay ministers traveling expenses is in readiness, also twenty seven ($27) on our apportionment of yearly meeting stock, our treasurer is directed to pay the amount on hand into the hands of Clarkson Thomas treasurer of the quarterly meeting

The meeting concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 9th mo 11th 1871

Representatives report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting

E. Cadwalader certificate	The committee appointed to prepare a certificate for Eli Cadwalader and family, have produced one which was read approved and signed, and directed to be forwarded.
com. to settle with treasurer	Nathan Hodgin, Nathan R. Williams and Stephen Williams, are appointed to settle with this meeting's treasurer and propose the name of a friend to serve as treasurer, and report to next meeting.
report of com. appointed 1879 to see that our ministers are provided for	The committee appointed in 8th month 1879, to see that ministers liberated by this meeting to travel in truth's service are suitably provided for, report they have given attention to the subject. They are continued and directed to report in 1st month next.
M. Crampton requests a certificate	Martha Crampton requests a certificate of the right of membership of herself and three children to White Water monthly meeting. Elias M. Hodgin and Albert Pickett are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of womens meeting to make the necessary enquiry and if no obstruction appears, prepare one and produce it to next meeting.
	The meeting concluded.
	Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 10th mo. 19th 1880
J. [illegible] returns [illegible]	[illegible] the minute granted [illegible] in 8th [illegible] with the [illegible] that [illegible] [illegible]

the peace of their minds which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Report of accounts settlement treasurer

The committee appointed to settle with the treasurer have now made the following satisfactory report. The name of Clarkson Strawbridge being united with he is reappointed as this meetings treasurer.

Report

The treasurer has received from the former treasurer, and from the treasurers of the preparative meetings the sum of $510.17 paid out $392.02 being well pleased with the way the business was kept we are united in offering the name of Clarkson Strawbridge for treasurer.

M. Crampton certificate

The committee appointed to prepare a certificate for Martha Crampton and family have produced one which has been read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded.

Com appointed in 2nd mo. to visit preparative, report

The committee appointed in second month last to visit the preparatives for their help and encouragement also to visit families appoint and hold meetings within our limits as truth opens the way now made the following satisfactory report. The committee are continued for further service and directed to report at any time [illegible] [illegible] and from leaving on the committee at his own request and Albert Pickett is appointed in his stead. Report.
We have visited each of the preparatives and held some meetings amongst friends and others, we believe mostly to [illegible]

satisfaction. We believe [illegible] [illegible] in their situation would be [illegible].
On behalf of the committee

R. M. [illegible]
[illegible] Strawbridge

Robert Harris requests certificate

Robert Harris requests a certificate of his right of membership to White River Monthly meeting, James Hicks and Joshua Jeffries are appointed to make the necessary enquiry and if no obstruction appears prepare one and produce it to next meeting

The meeting concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 11th mo 23rd 1871

Representatives

We appoint the following named friends to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting as our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting viz Nathan [illegible], Eliza M. [illegible], Augustine [illegible] David [illegible] and Wilson [illegible].

Com. to prepare a certificate for Robert Harris

The committee appointed last meeting to prepare a certificate for Robert Harris have produced one which was read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded.

for J. Wickersham

John Wickersham requests a certificate of his right of membership to New Garden Monthly meeting Samuel [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] are appointed to make the necessary enquiry and if no obstruction appears prepare one and produce it to next meeting

com to nominate com on temperance	An address of the executive committee on temperance was received. We appoint the following named friends in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to propose the names of suitable friends to constitute a committee on temperance, viz. Isaac Oblaver, Wilson Kendall, Nathan Hodgin and Thomas C. Strawbridge.
ministers attendance	Isaac Gay a minister in the course of a religious visit accepta[b]ly attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from Mississinewa Monthly meeting dated 10th mo 15th 1871.
	The meeting concluded.
	Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th mo 21st 1871.
J. Addington returns his minute	John Addington returns the minute granted him in 8th mo last with the information that he has attended to the service therein contained to the peace of his own mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.
Representative report	The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting and received and distributed a portion of the printed minutes of our late Yearly meeting. A copy of the London General epistle has been read at this time to our edification, and the minute embodying the exercise of the Yearly meeting during the consideration of the state of society and the minute adopted by the same Yearly meeting on the subject of peace have been read and [illegible]

our individual consideration and observance

J. Weeks certificate

The committee appointed at last meeting to prepare a certificate for John Wesley Weeks and minor children have produced one which has been read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded

Temperance committee

The committee appointed at last meeting to nominate a committee on on temperance report the following named friends who being united with are appointed to the service and directed to report in 6th month next viz Thomas C. Kirkpatrick, [illegible] Pierce, [illegible] Wilson, [illegible] Kendall, David Tuttle, Henry King, Rebeckah Winder, Mariam Miles, Anna M. [illegible], Miriam Tuttle and Clarissa King

com to raise money for com on peace

David Tuttle, Henry King, and Elias Hodgin are appointed to endeavor to raise by voluntary subscription the sum of $118.48 being our portion of [illegible] for the use of the committee on Peace, pay the money into the hands of our Treasurer who is directed to pay it into the hands of the Quarterly meetings treasurer and report to next meeting

Extract from Quart.

The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting was received and the subjects therein contained claim our attention

At [illegible] Quarterly meeting held 11th mo [illegible] 1881 the subordinate meetings were directed to attend to the following subjects directed to the attention of subordinate meetings and contained in

the printed minutes of the yearly meeting
1st) to read for consideration and observance the minute adopted by Dublin Yearly meeting on the subject of peace, and also the minute embodying the exercise of the meeting during the consideration of the state of society.
2nd) To appoint committee on the subject of temperance in accordance with the regulations adopted by our late Yearly meeting as shown on pages 61 and 62 of the printed minutes.
3rd) To endeavor to raise by voluntary contribution $ 160,00 for the use of the committee on peace and pay the money into the hands of our treasurer as early as practible not later than the 1st day of 1872.
4th) To raise in their respective proportions $ 1056 to increase the Yearly meetings treasury and also $ 373,84 this meetings deficiency on stock of last year and pay the money into the hands of our treasurer as early as practicable and report on all money matters in 5th Mo next.
5th) To send up definite answers to all queries sent to subordinate meetings by the yearly meeting or its committees. Reports to be made in usual course in 8th Month next.
Taken from the minutes of the meeting
C. J. Woodard
Clerk

Monies — The preparatives are directed to raise in their respective proportions $ 156,56 being our portion of Yearly meeting stock this year also the quarterly meetings deficiency of Stock of last year, pay the money into the hands of our treasurer and report in 4th Month next.

Then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 1st mo 25th 1872

peace money

The committee appointed at last meeting to endeavor to raise our portion of $168.00 recommended to be raised for the use of the committee on peace report they have given attention to the subject and the money is in readiness. Amount $18.48

Money for the use of committee to see that our minister are provided for

The committee appointed to see that our ministers traveling in truths service are suitably provided for, report they have expended $11.55 in carrying out the object of their appointment. The preparatives are directed to raise in their respective ratios the sum of $12 pay it into the hands of this meetings treasurer to be drawn by the committee, and report to next meeting

Nancy E Pickett a member of White Water Monthly meeting acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity liberating her to visit the families of this monthly meeting

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of Friends held 2nd mo 22nd 1872.

J. P. Bunch returns his minute

James P Bunch returned the minute granted him in 7th month last with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his own mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

James Bunch minute

Our beloved friend James S. Bunch an approved minister of the gospel expressed to this meeting a concern to visit in love (of the gospel, by appointment or otherwise) the meetings constituting Blue River, Sand Creek and Spiceland quarterly meetings, also a few meetings in Hamilton County Indiana and such other meetings as truth may seem to dictate while engaged in the work. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend to the service as truth opens the way.

queries

The first second and eighth queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary has been taken and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing quarterly meeting by Elihu Cox, William Strawbridge, David Tillie and William M. Hodgin whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting

Monies

The preparatives report their respective ratios of money directed to be raised (first quarter) is in readiness.

Comts. to nominate clerks

The following named friends are appointed to offer to next meeting the name of a friend to serve this meeting as clerk the ensuing year one for assistant and one for messenger, viz David Tillie, Dean King and James Weeks.

David J. McMillan a minister in the

course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from Bridgeport monthly meeting held 11th Month 2nd 1871 endorsed by Plainfield Quarterly meeting held 11th Mo 4th 1871.

Ministers in attendance

Robert W Hodson an elder and companion to David J McMillan, acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from Plainfield monthly meeting held

Naomi P Harris a minister of White Water Monthly meeting acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from dated 1st Month 24th 18[illegible] accompanied by Emily Jane Harris, with a minute from the same meeting same date.

Ruth Clark a minister accompanied by Elizabeth Hixson acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from Poplar Ridge monthly meeting dated 2nd 8th 1872 Also accompanied by Cyrus Johnson,

The meeting concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 3rd Mo 21 1872

report of representatives

The representatives report they all attended the Quarterly meeting,

clerks appointed

The committee appointed at last meeting to propose the name of a friend to serve this meeting as clerk the ensuing year one for assistant and one for messenger offer the name of [illegible] Kendall for clerk [illegible] E [illegible] as assistant

and Thomas C. Strawbridge for messengers 4th when the meeting unites and they are appointed to their respective services.

report of com on first day schools

The committee appointed in 3rd month last to have the care and oversight of scripture schools the last year now make the following satisfactory report.

Report

We have two schools under our care the past year, one at Chester and Holdbury [?] opening the first of 5th mo and closing the last of 9th month. The attendance on the part of the small children was good but there was a lack of interest on the part of these & some of those who are older.
Signed on behalf of committee
J. P. Bunch [?]
Melvina Miles [?]

first day school committee

We appoint the following named friends in conjunction with a similar committee of women friends to have the care of scripture schools the ensuing year and report in 3rd mo next. viz Isaac Cotton [?] David Little Jesse Hunt Thomas C Strawbridge and John D. Hampton,

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 4th mo 25th 1872

J. Addington minute

Our beloved friend John Addington an approved minister of the gospel expressed in this meeting a concern to attend in [illegible] of the gospel White River and Poplar Run monthly

meetings, to appoint and hold meetings within their limits as truth opens the way. Also to visit the meetings constituting Walnut Ridge Quarterly meeting and a part or all the meetings constituting Spiceland Quarterly meeting and to labor within their limits as truth opens the way. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend to the service under the guidance of best wisdom.

J. Jeffrie

Our beloved friend Jesse [illegible] Jeffries an approved minister of the gospel expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of the gospel Spiceland quarterly monthly meeting and the meetings constituting Walnut Ridge monthly meeting. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend to the service as truth opens the way.

Moneys

Chester preparative reports its portion of money directed to be raised in 12th Month last is in readiness. Woodberrys portion not being all raised they are directed to give the subject further care and report to next meeting.

Money for use of com having care of those requiring pecuniary aid

The committee appointed to have the care of those requiring pecuniary assistance ask the meeting to raise $15 to enable them to carry out the object of their appointment which is united with by the meeting and the preparatives are directed to raise that amount by their respective ratios pay it into the hands of our treasurer to be drawn by the

committee, and report to next meeting

com to nominate overseers

Needham Reese, Thomas C. Strawbridge, Nathan Williams and David Tuttle are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve in the station of overseers

Reception of Mary E. and Anna L. Pickett

Womens meeting informs that Mary Elizabeth, and Anna Laura Pickett requests to be joined in membership with friends and they are united in receiving them, this meeting concurs in their judgment and appoints James Weeks and Pierce Tuttle to unite with a similar committee of their meeting in informing them on their reception and report to next meeting

certificate received from Mary Matilda Hodgin

A certificate of membership has been received for Mary Matilda Hodgin from Cherry Grove Monthly meeting dated 2nd Month 10th 1872 which was read and accepted, the clerk is directed to acknowledge the reception on behalf of the meeting and report to next meeting.

The meeting concluded,

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 5th Mo. 23rd 1872

queries and answers

The first second and eighth queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to our next quarterly meeting by Needham Reese, Albert Bolan, David Tuttle and

Stephen Williams ~ whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting

Money — Woodberry preparative still reports a small deficiency of money directed to be raised in 12th Month last for yearly meeting stock it is again refered to their care and report to next meeting. The preparatives report the money directed to be raised at last meeting has been paid over as directed.

com to nominate overseers continued — The committee appointed at last meeting to nominate overseers not being ready to report are continued and directed to report to next meeting

com to visit M. E. & A. L. Pickett — The committee appointed at last meeting to join women friends in visiting Mary Elizabeth, and Anna Laura Pickett on their reception into membership report the service preform

com to visit Addison Hampton and M. Hodgin on their deviation — Chester preparative informs that Addison L. Hampton and Millie Hodgin have accomplished their marriage contrary to our discipline Mahlon Bond and Nathan Reese are appointed to visit them on account of their deviation and report to next meeting

com to assist the overseers in looking after those removed out of our limits — James Hicks Wilson Kendall Nathan Williams and David Pitts are appointed to assist the overseers in looking after those of our members who have removed out of our limits and prepare certificates and [illegible] to the meeting [illegible]

for it for those who are located within the limits of other meetings.

The meeting concluded.

Chester Monthly meeting of Friends held 6th Mo 26th 1872.

Representatives report — The representatives report they all attended the preceding meeting.

Committee on overseers — The committee continued at last meeting on the subject of overseers propose that our present overseers be ~~retained~~ continued in that station and propose the name of Samuel Bunker in place of Milton Pickett deceased. The report being considered is accepted by the meeting and Samuel Bunker is appointed to that service.

Com. to visit Addison Hampton, Milton Hodgin — The committee appointed at last meeting to visit Addison S. Hampton and Milton Hodgin on account of their deviations report they had an opportunity with them to good satisfaction and found them desirous of retaining their right of membership. The report is satisfactory to the meeting and they are retained as members. Job Hinkle and Dean King are appointed to inform of this meeting's decision in their case and report to next meeting.

Moneys — The deficiency of money reported from Woodberry Preparative still not being raised it is again referred to their care and it is [illegible]

to report to next meeting

Extract from Qt.

The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received; the subjects there in contained are directed to the care of the preparative meetings; Extract

The monthly meetings that are behind hand in raising money as heretofore directed are again directed to raise their respective deficiencies and pay the money into the hands of our treasurer and report to next meeting. Your deficiency for yearly meeting stock is $10.25 deficiency of last year $1.71

A J Woodard clerk

Jonathan Hodgin in attendance

Jonathan Hodgin a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced approved credentials from Cherry Grove monthly meeting dated 3rd mo 1st 1872, accompanied by Elijah Hinshaw, who produced an approved certificate from a committee appointed by Cherry Grove monthly meeting to see that its ministers traveling in truths service are suitably provided for.

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 7th mo 25th 1872.

John Addington ... the ...
... representatives ...

[illegible] attended [illegible] as is set forth to the [illegible] of his own mind which is [illegible] to the meeting

J. Addington returns his minute.

[illegible] Jeffries returned the minute granted him in [illegible] month last with the information that he attended to the service [illegible] to the peace of his own mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

J. Jeffries returns his minute

Martha J. Kendall a member with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of the gospel, Duck Creek Monthly meeting and the meetings and families [illegible] it. The meeting [illegible] in liberating and encouraging her [illegible] to the service as Truth opens the way

Martha Kendalls minute

The committee appointed at last meeting to [illegible] Addison [illegible] Hamblin and [illegible] Hagan of this meeting [illegible] report the service performed,

com. to [illegible] A. Hamblen [illegible] Hagan.

The deficiency of money reported from Westbury [illegible] not being raised [illegible] again referred to their care and report to next meeting

Monies

James [illegible] Binch [illegible] William Reese Milton Kendall and David Little are appointed to prepare answers to the Queries and statistical queries and report to next meeting

statistical committee

The meeting concluded

Mary Mallett in attendance

Mary Mallett a minister in the course of a religious visit [illegible] attended this meeting and produced a [illegible] credentials from [illegible] Monthly meeting dated 1st month 13th 1876, accompanied by Susannah J. Coffin [?] [illegible] produced a certificate [illegible] from a committee appointed by [illegible] Monthly meeting [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] concluded.

[illegible] Monthly meeting of Friends held 5th [illegible] 2d [illegible] 1876.

Queries and answers read

All the queries were answered in this meeting [illegible] from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly meeting by [illegible] William Strawbridge, Wilson Kendall and David Tuttle [?] who were appointed our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.

Statistics

The committee appointed at last meeting to prepare answers to the annual and statistical queries have produced the following statistics Number of births 5, Received by their own request 6, Received by request of parents 2, By certificate 1, Number of members 213 [illegible] 14 [?] females 111 [illegible] resigned 3 [?] Number removed by certificate [?] 14, Number of deaths 4 [illegible] 25 [illegible] Number of deaths within one year old 2 [illegible]

[illegible] under [illegible] the [illegible] 45 years, [illegible] Number [illegible] 31 [illegible] females 34, Established meetings [illegible] Recorded ministers 3 meetings without a recorded minister [illegible]

certificate for Rachel Baldwin

The committee [illegible] certificate [illegible] for [illegible] who has removed out of our limits [illegible] for Rachel Baldwin [illegible] Monthly meeting [illegible] was read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded.

report of com on education

The committee on education make the following [illegible] report [illegible] [illegible] Report

We have given [illegible] attention to the object of our appointment there have been no schools under our care [illegible] the first year [illegible] [illegible] attended [illegible]

Report of com to visit the preparative

The committee appointed to [illegible] [illegible] meetings [illegible] [illegible]

	[illegible]
Monies	[illegible] Meetings [illegible]
	[illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] of
	the Treasurer.
	William Roberts and Anna M. King
Proposals	informed this meeting of their [illegible]
of marriage	[illegible]
of William	friends [illegible]
Roberts	marriage [illegible]
and Anna	[illegible]
King	[illegible] the meeting of which [illegible]
	[illegible]
	[illegible] engagements with others
	together with [illegible];
	The meeting concluded.
	Chester Monthly meeting held 1st mo.
	[illegible] 187[illegible]
	Martha [illegible] Kendall returned the minute
Martha	granted her in 7th month last with
Kendall	the information that she has attended
returns	to the service [illegible] to
her minute	the peace of her own mind which
	is satisfactory to the meeting.
	Our beloved friend [illegible] Addington
J. Addington	an approved minister of the gospel
minute	expressed in this meeting a concern to appoint
	and visit meetings amongst Friends and others within the limits
	of [illegible] Quarterly meeting, particularly
	in the neighbourhood of [illegible]
	and to appoint and hold meetings
	amongst Friends and others within the
	limits of our own monthly meeting
	[illegible] meeting
	[illegible]
	[illegible]

[illegible] The meeting is united [illegible] being finalized [illegible]

Albert Pickett Minute

One [illegible] friend [illegible] members [illegible] and good order [illegible] amongst us [illegible] of friends in this meeting [illegible] a concern [illegible] his proposed religious visit [illegible] The meeting is united [illegible]

Representatives report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting.

education committee appointed report,

The committee appointed at last meeting to propose the names of friends to constitute a committee on education propose the names of David Hill, Isaac Baker, William Kendall, Edward King, Mary Hill, Lizzie Kendall, Elmira King and [illegible] which being united with are appointed to the same.

W Roberts A King Marriage

William Roberts and Anna King having made known at last meeting their intentions of marriage with each other, [illegible] from the meeting of which she is a member, they [illegible] of similar engagements with others and having consent [illegible] they are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage according to friends rules. By request [illegible]

at the residence of Isaac King on seventh day the 21st at 6 o'clock for the purpose of solemnizing their marriage. William Kendall is appointed to [illegible] that a marriage certificate is read, place it in the hands of the recorder and report to next meeting.

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 10th month 24th 1872

Report of the friend to read marriage cer.

The friend appointed at last meeting to read a marriage certificate for William Roberts and Anna K. Ross [illegible] it in the hands of the recorder [illegible] the service was performed.

Stephen Williams and family request a certificate

Stephen Williams and Mary [illegible] request a certificate [illegible] for themselves and [illegible] children to the [illegible] meeting which is referred to the committee standing appointed to prepare certificates for those of our members residing in the limits of other meetings.

certificate for Anna Bennett

The committee on certificates now produced one for Anna Bennett and minor daughter Ella to Johnstown monthly meeting which was read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded.

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 11th mo 21st 1872

Martha Kendall minute

Martha S Kendall a member with us in have orally [illegible] in this meeting a concern she [illegible] in love of the gospel, [illegible] and Springfield weekly meetings and the meetings [illegible] and to visit the families [illegible] [illegible] preparative meeting; the meeting is united in liberating and encouraging her to attend to the service as truth opens the way.

Representatives

We appoint the following named friends to attend the ensuing quarterly meeting as our representatives and they are requested to report to next meeting, viz. [illegible] Votaw, Elias M. Hodgin, Edward King, and James C Bunch,

Stephen Williams certificate

The committee on certificates have produced one for Stephen Williams and family to [illegible] monthly meeting, also one for Mary M E[illegible]tt and family to Springdale monthly meeting Kansas, which have been read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded.

committee on poor.

The committee continued to have the care of those of our members who require pecuniary assistance report they have given attention to the service and have rendered some assistance. The committee are continued and directed to report to next in 11th month next;

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 12th mo 17th 18[illegible]

The representatives report they all

attended the quarterly meeting and
Representative report — had given them in charge the portion
of the printed minutes of our last
yearly meeting and the London
general epistle a copy of which has
been read at this time

The following extract from the minutes
extract — of the quarterly meeting has been
received and the directions therein contained
have received our attention. the preparatives
are directed to raise in their respective
ratios 148.07 for yearly meeting stock and
$2.75 to replenish the quarterly meetings
treasury, pay the money into the hands
of this meetings treasurer and report
to next meeting and the treasurer is
directed to forward the money to
the quarterly meetings treasurer.

Extract

At New Garden Quarterly meeting
held 11th mo 23rd 1872

Monthly meetings are
directed to attend to the following
subjects 1st to read from the yearly
meetings minutes 1872 the minute embodying
the exercise of the meeting during the
consideration of the state of society

To raise in their respective proportions
$1846.?? to increase the yearly meetings
treasury and pay the money into the
hands of our treasurer as early as
practicable not later than 4th mo 1873

To raise the sum of $25.? for quarterly
meeting stock and pay the money into
the hands of our treasurer and report
diligence in all money directions in
5th mo next

Taken from the minutes of the
meeting aforesaid by [illegible] clerk

certificate for Anna Roberts

The committee on certificates have produced one for Anna H. Roberts to [illegible] monthly meeting [illegible] which has been approved and signed and directed to be forwarded.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly meeting of Friends held 1st Mo. 23rd 1873

J. Addington returns his minute

John Addington returns the minute granted him in 12th month last with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his own mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Albert Pickett returns his minute

Albert Pickett returns the minute granted him to accompany John Addington in his proposed visit with the information that he attended to the concern as far as truth opened the way to the peace of his own mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

John Addington minute

John Addington a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of the gospel [illegible] families within the limits of [illegible] meetings, particularly [illegible] and Honey Creek preparative meetings and [illegible] in such other localities as he [illegible] in the truth. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend to the service as truth opens the way.

Rebecca Williams a minister with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting

	a concern [illegible] [illegible]
Rebecca Williams minute	a part of the families belonging to their meeting and as few families [illegible] are [illegible] not in membership with [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] liberation [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]
Roger Cutland certificate	The committee on certificates have produced one for Roger Cutland to [illegible] [illegible] meeting and one for [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] monthly meeting, both of which were read & approved and directed to be signed and forwarded.
Minutes	The proposition [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] yearly meeting [illegible] [illegible] 1894 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and report to next meeting.
Temperance com. report	The committee on temperance now make the following satisfactory report & they are continued and directed to report in the [illegible] next. report, We have given some attention to the subject [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] temperance [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting for the promotion of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the committee, Rebecca Windle
Milton [illegible] in attendance	Milton [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] [illegible] monthly meeting [illegible] month [illegible] 1893.
	[illegible] meeting [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 1st Mo 11th 1853

J. Bunch Returns his minute

James T. Bunch returned the minute given [illegible] [illegible] with the information that he has attended [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] agreeably to the minute [illegible]

Queries read

The sixth second and eighth queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to our [illegible] [illegible] meeting by James T. Banks, John T. Hanfield, Elias M. Hodgin and David Tuttle, whom we appoint as representatives and they are directed to report next meeting.

Monies

By the reports from the preparatives there still appears to be a deficiency in money intended to be raised at last meeting; they are again directed to raise their deficiencies and report then 5th month next.

Clerks nominated

James Jessup, James Hicks and Nathan Ross are appointed to confer together and propose to next meeting the [illegible] of friends to serve this meeting as clerk the ensuing year, one for assistant clerk and one for messenger to womens meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 3rd Mo 26: 1893

Martha Kendall returns her minute

Martha J Kendall returned the minute granted her in 11th mo last with the information that she has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of her mind, which is satisfactory to the meeting

James Bunch minute

James P Bunch a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity, expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of the gospel, most of the meetings belonging to Baltimore yearly meeting located in the State of Ohio also to appoint and attend a few other meetings as truth opens the way. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend to the service as best wisdom may direct.

Representative report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting [illegible]

clerks appointed

The committee appointed to propose to this meeting the name of a friend to serve as clerk the ensuing year one for assistant and one for messenger offer the name of Wilson Kendall for clerk [illegible] for assistant and [illegible] for messenger with which the meeting unites and they [illegible] appointed [illegible] [illegible]

scripture school com[illegible]

The committee appointed in third month [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] with larger [illegible] being satisfactory [illegible] the [illegible] continued until the [illegible] of [illegible] Kendall [illegible]

[illegible]

Report

[illegible] Chester 4th mo. [illegible] and has continued until the present time to good satisfaction. Average attendance during the spring [illegible] 10th 1st mo. 6th 22 with an increasing interest [illegible] of the [illegible] families diligent in their attendance [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of Friends held 4th mo. 19th 1875,

Rebecca Williams returns her minute	Rebecca Williams returned the minute granted her in 1st month last with the information that she has attended to the service therein set forth to the [illegible] of her mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.
[illegible] right [illegible] preparative and families	A concern has [illegible] in this meeting for the spiritual [illegible] and [illegible] of its subordinate meetings and families [illegible] the meeting is united in appointing the following friends [illegible] as way opens for it, our subordinate meetings and families [illegible] appoint and hold meetings and labor as ability is

afforded for the [illegible] of the cause of Truth [illegible] Thomas C. Thompson, [illegible] [illegible] Martha T. K[illegible] Rebecca [illegible] Clarrisa King and Anna M. [illegible] and they are directed to [illegible] to this meeting in 7th mo next.

Alvin Birdsall and Kattie Hampton proposals of marriage

Alvin T. Birdsall and Kattie [illegible] informed this meeting in writing that with divine permission and friends [illegible] they intend marriage with each other. He is expected to produce to next meeting a certificate from the meeting of which he is a member [illegible] clearness of [illegible] engagements with others.

Walter Austin and Emma Hampton proposals of marriage

Walter Austin and Emma Hampton informed this ~~that~~ meeting in writing that with divine permission and friends [illegible] they intend marriage with each other. (He is not a member of our society.) In both of the above cases the parties will be expected to produce consent of parents to next meeting.

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 5th mo 22nd 1873.

Anna M. Coleman minute

Anna M. Coleman an elder in unity and good esteem amongst us, expressed in this meeting a concern to attend in the love of Christ to some religious service within the limits of West Grove monthly meeting amongst friends and others, also to visit the asylum of [illegible] county and [illegible]

[illegible] ... [illegible] came [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... may

Certificate of membership received for B. Hodgin and family

[illegible] of removal [illegible] Benjamin and Elizabeth Hodgin [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible], Hodgin, [illegible] ... James Bond [illegible] ... Mary [illegible] ... Mary [illegible] appointed to visit them on their [illegible] and report to next meeting.

Queries read

The first second and [illegible] queries were read in this meeting with the answers from one of the preparative [illegible] ... [illegible] ... quarterly meeting [illegible] Benjamin Hodgin, [illegible] Bond and David [illegible] ... [illegible] and they are directed to report to next meeting.

D. [illegible] & M. Hampton marriage

[illegible] and Martha [illegible] Hampton [illegible] ... [illegible] meeting their [illegible] marriage with each other [illegible] produced a certificate from [illegible] meeting [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... [illegible] consent [illegible] ... [illegible] ... marriage according [illegible] ...

[illegible] and Emma Hampton having made known at last [illegible] ...

W Austin and Emma Hampton marriage

with [illegible] being given they are [illegible] at [illegible] the ceremonie [illegible] their marriage according [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] at the residence of [illegible] on the 10th [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] read [illegible] the minds [illegible] and report [illegible]

Arthur Hampton requests to be joined with friends

Arthur [illegible] requests to be joined in membership with friends, his request being [illegible] and he is received into membership.

Hannah R. Hampton requests to join friends

Womens meeting informs that Hannah R. Hampton and Mary [illegible] request to be joined in membership with friends and they are united in receiving them. The meeting unites with the judgment of womens meeting in the case and appoints John [illegible] and Joshua Jeffries in conjunction with a like committee of womens meeting to visit the three above named [illegible] friends for their help and [illegible] and report [illegible]

[illegible]

Clarks monthly meeting of friends held 6th Mo. 17th 1873

A [illegible]

[illegible] and

certificate for Rachel Robinson received

[illegible] and [illegible] Rachel Robinson from [illegible] monthly [illegible] [illegible] and accepted, [illegible] [illegible], David [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], Mary [illegible] and Mary [illegible] [illegible] appointed to visit [illegible] [illegible] and report to next meeting.

report of com. to visit B. Hodgson and family

The [illegible] [illegible] to visit Benjamin Hodgson and family on the [illegible] of their certificate report the [illegible] [illegible],

representative report

The [illegible] [illegible] report they all attended the quarterly meeting.

report of com. to visit those received

The committee appointed to visit [illegible] [illegible] received into membership at [illegible] meeting [illegible] report [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] received.

report of friend to read marriage cer.

The friend appointed at last meeting to read certificates for the parties engaging in marriage and place them in the hands of their [illegible] report the service has been performed.

report of com. to see that our ministers are provided for

The committee standing appointed to see that our members travelling in truths service are suitably provided for, report as follows which is satisfactory to the meeting and the committee are [illegible] [illegible] the exception of Daniel King [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at his request and Joseph Hampton is appointed [illegible] his [illegible]. The [illegible] are [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] required

by the committee,

Report

We have endeavoured to pay suitable attention to the objections [illegible] of [illegible] and have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] report [illegible] which there was been no [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] meeting

Dean King, Nathan [illegible] Heulings, [illegible] Strawbridge, committee

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of Women held 7th mo. 24th [illegible]51

Anna Rulon returns her minute

Anna M. Rulon returned the minute granted her in 5th month last with the information that she was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] mind [illegible] [illegible] to the meeting

J. Jeffries minute

Joshua Jeffries, a minister with us, we having [illegible] expressed in this meeting a concern to attend in love of the gospel Shrewsbury monthly meeting and to visit by appointment or otherwise the meetings constituting it. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend to the service as truth opens the way.

request of John Mulgrave and wife & [illegible]

Chester preparative informs that John [illegible] Mulgrave and Anna Jane his wife request for themselves and their [illegible] children Violetta and Sophia Elizabeth to be joined in membership with Friends, their [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and

They were received into membership. Jacob G. Kahnfelt and Eliza M. Hodgin are appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to visit them on their reception [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] meeting.

Report of com. to visit Rachel Brown — [illegible] appointed at last meeting to visit Rachel Brown and [illegible] on the [illegible] of their [illegible] report the [illegible] not been performed.

Monies — The following report the money ordered to be raised at last meeting has not been paid in the subject is continued and they are directed to report to next meeting.

Certificate of membership for Albert Kendall endorsed & off'd to White Water — A certificate of membership has been received for Albert Kendall from Duckdown monthly meeting which was read and directed to be endorsed and forwarded to White Water monthly meeting [illegible] within the [illegible] of that meeting.

Schedule committee — William Ris, [illegible] C. Trowbridge and David Lilly are appointed to [illegible] answers to the annual and [illegible] queries and report to next meeting.

The meeting concluded.

which monthly meeting of friends held
9th mo 21st 1872

J Jeffries returns his minute	Joshua Jeffries returned the minute granted him at last meeting with the information that he was attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind, which is satisfactory to the meeting.
Queries read	All the queries have been read in this meeting with written answers to three from one of the preparative meetings being considered it is directed to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting on John D Humphrey Richard Reese William M Hodgin and Jos Hindle whom are to furnish our information and they are to make the report to the next meeting.
Statistical report	The committee appointed at last meeting to prepare answers to the annual statistical queries have furnished the following statistics Number of births 5 No. received by their own request 5, by request of parents 2 No. received by certificate 9 No. members 184, No of males 81, females 103 No disowned 0, Resigned 0 No removed by certificate 10, No deaths 2, Average age at death 77yrs 11mo 5 No deaths under one year 0 No between one and ten, 0 Average age of those over ten years old 77yrs 11mo 5 days No. families 34, parts of families 17 No. established meetings 2, No of recorded ministers 3 No of meetings without a recorded minister 0

report of com[illegible] to visit [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] is continued [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] report to [illegible] meeting in tenth month next.

The preparatives report on raising money for quarterly and yearly meetings [illegible] as follows [illegible] $104 [illegible] $26 [illegible] still [illegible] a small deficiency they are directed to raise it and report to [illegible] meeting.

certificate for Mary Geek

Our committee on certificates have produced one for Mary Geek and her minor daughter Lillian D. Geek to [illegible] [illegible] monthly meeting Illinois which was read approved and directed to be [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] released from being recorder of Marriage certificates

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] requests to be released from serving this meeting as recorder of marriage certificates, Dean King and [illegible] King are appointed to propose at next meeting the name of a friend to serve in his place.

The meeting concluded.

[illegible] monthly meeting of friends held 7th M. 25th [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the minute [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 3rd [illegible] last with

J Bunch returns his minute	the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.
J Bunch minute	James P Bunch a minister of this meeting with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of the gospel most of the meetings of friends in the Grant, Wabash, Miami and Howard counties, also hold meetings not belonging to our society in and near Summitt [illegible] county. The meeting unites with him in the concern and he is liberated and encouraged to attend thereto as truth opens the way.
Report of com. to visit preparatives	The committee appointed in 11th mo. last to visit the preparatives for their help and encouragement and hold meetings within our limits &c now make the following report which is satisfactory to the meeting. Report. We have endeavored to attend to the object of our appointment as way seemed to open, have held several meetings at Mulberry and Chester, and while we feel assured that the cause of truth would be advanced by the labor of a judicious committee in that direction, yet we have thought best to ask a discontinuance of the [illegible] service at present, on behalf of the committee [illegible] [illegible]
com. to visit aged and infirm	A feeling of sympathy [illegible] in this meeting [illegible] the aged [illegible], and [illegible] afflicted friends [illegible] Nathan [illegible] [illegible] with

a committee of women friends to visit them for their help and encouragement and report when the service is performed.

Representatives Report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting.

Friend appointed to record marriage certificates

The committee appointed at last meeting to propose to the meeting the name of a friend to act as recorder of marriage certificates, offer the name of Nathan Reece [?] with which the meeting unites and he is appointed to the service.

Monies

The [illegible] report a deficiency of the money required to be raised at last meeting. The subject is again referred to them and to report to next meeting.

J. [illegible] in attendance

Joseph [illegible] an elder is acceptably in attendance at this meeting and produced a minute from [illegible] monthly meeting dated 7th mo. liberating him to visit part of the families of this meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 10th mo 23rd 1873

Extract from Qr mt of ministers and elders A. [illegible] recorded

By an extract from the minute of New Garden quarterly meeting of ministers and elders held 8th mo 22 1873 this meeting is informed that a proposition [illegible] that meeting [illegible] that Anna M. [illegible] be recorded a minister of the gospel is approved

by that meeting, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] our consideration of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with. The clerk is directed to furnish the quarterly meeting of ministers and elders with an extract of this minute

Monies — The preparatives still report deficient on raising money for yearly meeting stock of last year also on the £50 directed to be raised in 6th month last they are again directed to raise their deficiencies and report to next meeting

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 11th Mo 20th 1873

J. Addington returns his minute — John Addington now returns the minute granted him in 7th month last with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

representatives appointed — We appoint the following named friends to attend the ensuing quarterly meeting as our representatives viz Mahlon Bond, Benjamin Hodgin, Edward King and Isaac [illegible] and they are directed to report to next meeting,

Report of com to visit the aged and infirm — The committee appointed in 9th Mo last to visit the aged and infirm of this meeting for their help and encouragement report [illegible] have attended to the service to good satisfaction which is satisfactory to the meeting.

com. to settle with treasurer

James Hicks Peace Lowe, and Joel S Hampton are appointed to settle with the meeting's treasurer and prepare the money to friend [illegible] treasurer and report to next meeting.

Monies

The preparatives report that deficiencies of money for yearly meeting stock of last year not all been raised and paid over as directed, there still being a deficiency of moneys directed to be raised for 6th month last they are continued to raise the same and directed to report to next meeting.

Marriage and Removal certificates

The committee on certificates have prepared one for [illegible] Miles to [illegible] monthly meeting, which was read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded. Also one for Rachel E. Miles to the same meeting which was read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded.

Stephen Breed in attendance

Stephen Breed a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting accompanied by his wife Alice Ann Breed and produced minutes of unity and concurrence from Rocky Run monthly meeting dated 8th mo 11th 1873. His minute was endorsed by [illegible] quarterly meeting held 8th mo 16th 1873.

Jefferson Jackson in attendance

Jefferson Jackson a minister in the course of a religious visit accompanied by [illegible] acceptably attended this meeting and produced minutes of unity and concurrence from [illegible] monthly meeting

dated 10th Mo 4th 1873,

The meeting then concluded;

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 12th Mo 25th 1873

James Burch returns his minute — James S Bunch returned the minute granted him in 11th Mo last with the information that he had attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

certificate for Silas Williamson — The committee on certificates have produced one for Silas Williamson and family to [illegible] their monthly meeting which was read approved and directed to be signed and forwarded

report of committee on temperance — The committee on temperance made the following report [illegible] assi[illegible] and Isaac [illegible] [illegible] Cox and Dean King are appointed in conjunction with women friends to [illegible] the [illegible] of friends [illegible] temperance committee

Report of the committee

we have given the subject some attention but way has not opened for much active labor the [illegible] year we would suggest that a new committee be appointed to take care of the subject the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to the meeting,

report of com on certificate — The committee on [illegible] [illegible] now made the following [illegible] [illegible] the committee [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Reece from [illegible] Hampton [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] of the [illegible]
[illegible] for it.
Report
[illegible] to prepare
[illegible]
[illegible] rendered and
[illegible] prepared which
[illegible]
[illegible] this meeting
[illegible] until [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]

Extract from Qr. Mt.

The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received and the subjects therein [illegible] ed [illegible] [illegible] The preparatives are directed to raise in their respective ratios $138.60 for yearly meeting stock and $5 to pay this quarterly meeting's [illegible] to the treasurer [illegible] money into the hands of this meeting's treasurer, and [illegible] is directed to pay the yearly meeting stock [illegible] the [illegible] of the treasurer of the quarterly meeting as soon as received and report in 4th mo. next.

Extract [illegible] New Garden Preparative meeting of friends [illegible] 11th mo. 23rd 1813
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] appointed to attend [illegible] [illegible] the minute made [illegible] yearly meeting [illegible] of the state of [illegible] in their respective ratios $12.60 to increase the yearly meeting treasury and report to the quarterly meeting in 5th mo. next.

[illegible] Stanford [illegible]

representatives report

The representatives report they attended the quarterly meeting and received our portion of the printed documents of our late yearly meeting.

com to settle with the treasurer report

The committee appointed to settle with the treasurer report they have given attention to the subject and find his accounts correctly kept and the meeting owes the treasurer $5. They also propose that Thomas C Strawbridge be reappointed treasurer. Their report is satisfactory and T. C. Strawbridge is appointed treasurer.

Monies

The preparatives report they have raised sufficient monies to pay the indebtedness of the committee to see that our ministers are provided for while traveling in Truths service.

The meeting then concluded,

Chester Monthly meeting of Friends held 1st Mo 13th 1874.

John Addington minute

Our beloved friend John Addington an approved minister of the gospel expressed in this meeting a concern to labor for his divine master within the limits of Poplar Run and White River monthly meetings. After due consideration thereon the meeting unites with him in the concern and he is liberated and encouraged to attend thereto as truth opens the way.

com on nomination of elders

We appoint Needham Rees, James Hake, and Thomas C Strawbridge in conjunction with a like committee of women Friends to confer with

a committee appointed at our last Quarterly meeting to consider the condition of the preparative meetings of ministers and elders, and to bring forward the names of such as by their judgment might be appointed to the station of elders and report to next meeting,

certificate for Malinda Martin

The committee on certificates have produced one for Malinda Martin to Springfield monthly meeting, and one for Emma Austin to Indianapolis monthly meeting both of which has been read approved and signed and directed to be forwarded.

appointment of temperance

The committee appointed at last meeting to propose the names of Friends to constitute a committee on temperance report the names of Jacob R. Hampton Thomas C. Strawbridge Mahlon Bond Elihu Cox Margaret Hampton Esther Strawbridge Rebecca Hindle and Elizabeth Hodgin with whom the meeting unites and they are appointed to the service and directed to report in 12th mo next.

reception of a certificate for Mary King

A certificate of membership was received for Mary King from Maryville monthly meeting dated 1st month 16th 1873 which was read and accepted, we appoint Jacob Hampton and Nathan Hodgin in conjunction with a like committee of womens meeting to visit her for her help and encouragement and report to next meeting

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 2nd Mo 11th 1874.

The appointment of elders

The joint committee of the Quarterly and monthly meeting on the subject of the appointment of elders now make the following report which is accepted and the names proposed are continued and appointed to ~~that~~ elders.

Report

The joint committee on the nomination of elders of Friends for elders have confered together and would propose that Nathan Hodgin, Rachel Jeffries, Jacob D Hampton, and Mary Pittis be continued, and that Thomas C. Strawbridge Nathaniel Hodgin and Wilson Kendall be appointed to the station of elders.

On behalf of the committee
Luke Thomas

Reception of applicants into membership

The following named persons make application to be joined in membership with friends by Riley Hiatt and Elizabeth his wife and Hattie Pickett and Eber Pickett. Their requests being considered seperately we are united with and they are received into membership with us, Benjamin Hodgin, Needham Reese Isaac Easton and Jacob D Hampton are appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to visit them for their benefit and encouragement and report to next meeting

John Reddington now returns the

J. Addington returns his minute

[illegible] meeting with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth [illegible] [illegible] to meeting.

queries read

The 1st 2nd and 3rd queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparative from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting by David Tuttle, Elias M. Hodgin, Aaron Cammack and Edward J. Pickett, whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.

report of com to visit Mary King

The committee appointed at last meeting to visit Mary King on the receipt of her certificate report the service has not yet been performed they are continued and directed to report to next meeting

com to nominate clerks

John D. Hampton, Dean King and Isaac [illegible] are appointed to propose to next meeting the name of a friend to serve this meeting as clerk the ensuing year one for assistant and one for messenger to women's meeting,

certificate for Martha Birdsall

The committee on certificates have produced one for Martha H. Birdsall to the New York monthly meeting which has been read and directed to be signed and forwarded,

William Thornberry in attendance	William [illegible] Thornberry [illegible] in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity from [illegible] monthly meeting held 5th mo 11th 182[illegible]
Ira C. Johnson in attendance	Ira C. Johnson [illegible] monthly meeting acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and concurrence from that meeting liberating him to visit the families of this monthly meeting

The meeting then concluded,

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 3rd mo 19th 1874,

scripture school com. Report	The committee appointed to have the care and oversight of Bible schools the past year, now make the following report which is accepted and the committee are continued and directed to report in 3rd mo next

Report

School has been kept up at Chester the past year with an average attendance for the first quarter of 46, second 31, third 31 fourth 27 The interest has been fully sustained the past year and we feel assured that the school has proved a blessing to those who have been delligent in their attendance There has been no school at Middlberry the past year,

On behalf of the committee
Wilson Kendall,

The committee appointed to visit those who were received into membership

continue those — report received | [illegible] and encouragement report the service has been performed

The committee continued at last meeting to visit Mary E King on her acceptance of her certificate report the service has been performed.

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting

clerks appointed | The committee appointed to propose to this meeting the names of a friend to serve as clerk one for assistant and one for messenger the ensuing year offer the names of Wilson Kendall for clerk Lawrence E. belaw for assistant and Thomas C Strawbridge for messenger. The names proposed are united with and they are appointed to their respective services

extract from Qr't mt. | The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received. The preparatives are directed to raise in their respective ratios $240 to assist in building a meeting house at Winnsville, and $1,50 to increase the quarterly meeting stock, pay the money into the hands of our treasurer who is directed to pay it over to the proper treasurer and report in 5th mo next. Extract

At New Garden Quarterly meeting of friends held 2nd mo 23rd 1874.

The committee appointed to take into consideration matters in relation to building a new Quarterly meeting

house at Winchester & propose that the monthly meeting be directed to raise $3,000 to be applied towards the building, which proposition was agreed to and the money directed raised by according to the following ratio of apportionment viz: New Garden 20 cents to the dollar Cherry Grove 19 White River 20 Poplar Run 21 Dover 12 and Chester 8 and pay the money into the hands of Thomas Morgan treasurer of building committee. The monthly meetings were also directed to raise according to the former ratio $50 to augment the Quarterly meeting treasury and pay the money into the hands of Addison Thomas treasurer and report on both matters to next meeting.
By direction and on behalf of the meeting
C J Woodard clerk

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th mo 15th 1874

certificate received for Rhoda Hodgin	A certificate of membership has been received for Rhoda L Hodgin from Poplar Ridge monthly meeting dated 23rd mo 5th 1874 which has been read and accepted.
reception of James Hinshaw and family into membership	James M Hinshaw and Caroline M. his wife request for themselves and minor son Daniel B. H. to be joined in membership with friends, after due consideration their request is united with and they are received into membership, Dean King and Thomas C Strawbridge are appointed in conjunction with a committee of women's meeting to visit them on their reception for

their will and encouragement and report to next meeting

certificate for Nancy Ann Smith

The committee on certificates have produced one for Nancy Ann Smith to Springdale monthly meeting Kansas also one for Anna Cammack to Hesper monthly meeting Kansas both of which has been read approved and directed to be signed and forwarded

complaint against Nathan J. Williams

Chester preparative informs that Nathan J. Williams has been guilty of breach of trust. The meeting after due deliberation comes to the judgment to disown him (he having left the country further care in his case is impracticable) James Weeks and Needham Reese are appointed to prepare a testification against him and produce it to next meeting

The meeting then concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 5th Mo 21st 1874.

James Bunch a minute

James P Bunch a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of the gospel the meetings of friends in a few of the central counties of this state and to attend to some service within our own borders. The meeting unites in liberating and encouraging him to attend to the service as truth opens the way.

The first second and eighth queries have been read in this meeting with

queries read	written answers from the preparatives from which a summary has been taken and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing quarterly meeting by Jesse Hunt, Marion Bond, Riley Hiatt and Benjamin Hodgin, whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.
report of com to visit J. M. Hinshaw on their reception	The committee appointed to visit James M. Hinshaw and family on their reception into membership report the service has been performed
Testification against N. S. William	The committee appointed at last meeting to prepare a testification of disownment for Nathan S. Williams have produced one, but the meeting not being ready to adopt it at this time the case is continued another month.
Monies	The treasurer reports that Chester preparative has raised its portion of money for yearly meeting stock, Woodbury being deficient it is directed to raise its deficiency; also other preparatives being deficient in monies for building the Quarterly meeting house at Winchester they are continued and directed to report on all money matter in 8th month next.
	The meeting then concluded.
	Chester monthly meeting of Friends held 6th Mo 25th 1874.
Ira Marine in attendance	Ira Marine a member of Cherry Grove acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity and

minute from that meeting dated 6th Mo 13th 1874.

John Addington minute

John Addington a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to labor for his Divine Master as way opens for it within the limits of Indiana and Western yearly meetings. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend thereto as truth opens the way.

Martha Kendall minute

Martha Kendall a member with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to attend in the love of Christ the meetings and a few of the families composing New Garden Quarterly meeting. Also to attend Springfield monthly meeting and the meetings composing it and the families composing Flat Rock preparative meeting. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging her to attend thereto as truth opens the way.

Albert Puckett minute

Albert Puckett a member with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to attend in the love of Christ, Dublin monthly meeting Indiana. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend thereto as truth opens the way.

representatives report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting.

Testification issued against N. S. Williams

The following testification of disownment against Nathan S. Williams which was refered from last meeting to this for further consideration has now been read and the clerks are directed to sign it on behalf of the meeting. Testification

Nathan S. Williams who has had a right of membership in the society of Friends has been guilty of breach of trust. We therefore disown him from being a member with us Signed in and by direction of Chester monthly meeting held 6th Mo 25th 1874. Wilson Hendall clerks
Anna M. Bolan.

Com. to visit preparative M.

The meeting entered into a concern for the spiritual growth and welfare of its members, and appoints the following named friends in conjunction with a similar committee of women friends to visit as truth opens the way the families and members of this monthly meeting and report when the service is performed. Viz Riley Hiatt, Albert Pickett, James Reeves, Benjamin Hodgin, John Waddington, Elias M. Hodgin,

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 7th Mo 23rd 1874

certificate received for Lizzie Lee,

A certificate of membership was received for Lizzie Lee from Kokomo monthly meeting dated 7th Mo 8th 1874 which was read and accepted

extract from Qt mtg,

The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received and the subjects therein contained have received our attention, and the preparative are directed to report to next meeting.

extract,

At New Garden Quarterly meeting of friends held 5th Mo 23rd 1874
The monthly meetings were directed to raise their respective deficiencies of money upon former directions and the three monthly meetings that are to compose New Garden Quarterly meeting are directed to report to this meeting in the 8th Month next, and the others to Winchester quarterly to be opened and held in 7th Mo next. By direction and on behalf of the meeting aforesaid.

Cornelius Woodard
clerk

Statistical committee

The following named friends are appointed to assist the overseers in making out the answers to the annual and statistical queries and report to next meeting viz, David Little, James Weeks and Needham Reese,

Amos Doan and wife in attendance

Amos Doan and Ann J. his wife ministers in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity from Beech Grove monthly meeting dated 2nd Mo 18th 1874 endorsed by Fairfield quarterly meeting held 2nd Mo 21st 1874

Robert Knight in attendance

Robert Knight a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptibly attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity from Mississinewa

monthly meeting dated 7th Mo 8th 1874

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 8th Mo 20th 1874.

Jacob Hampton minute

Jacob D. Hampton an elder with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of Christ a part of the families composing Wabash monthly meeting also to accompany Phebe Reynolds a minister of Raysville monthly meeting in visiting the meetings constituting Wabash Quarterly meeting as set forth by a minute granted her by that meeting. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend thereto as truth opens the way.

Anna Botaws minute

Anna M. Botaw a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to ~~visit~~ attend in love of Christ, Iowa Yearly meeting and to visit a part of the meetings composing it also to visit as way opens for it some of the prisons of the state of Iowa. The meeting is united in liberating her to attend thereto as truth opens the way.

Lizzie Lees minute

Lizzie Lee a member with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to accompany Anna M. Botaw in her proposed visit as set forth by a minute granted her by this meeting. The meeting is united in liberating her to attend thereto as truth opens the way

queries read	All the queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly meeting by Jesse Hunt William Reese William Trowbridge and John D. Hampton whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.
Statistical report	The committee appointed at last meeting to assist the overseers in preparing a statistical report have produced the following which is directed to be forwarded on our reports to the Quarterly meeting.

Number of births	3
Received into membership by request	7
By certificate from other yearly meetings	2
Number of members	197
" of males	71
" females	106
" families	34
Parts of families	23
Isolated members not included in the above	6
Members under 21 years of age	97
Removed by certificates to other yearly meetings	8
Number disowned	1
" Resigned	0
" of established meetings	2
" Recorded ministers	4
Meetings without a recorded minister	

Monies	By the treasurers report it appears that Woodberry preparative is still deficient on raising money for yearly meeting stock and both preparatives being deficient of money for building Winchester meeting house they are directed to raise their deficiencies and report in 11th mo next. The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of Friends held 9th Mo 24th 1874

Susannah Stratton and companion present

Susannah Stratton a minister, accompanied by Millicent Beck acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper minutes from East Goshen monthly meeting Ohio dated 8th Mo 15th 1874,

Jacob D Hampton returns his minute

Jacob D Hampton returned the minute granted at last meeting with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

representatives report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting except one

certificate for Aaron Hamms and daughter

The committee on certificates have produced one for Aaron Hamms and daughter Mary Elizabeth Hamms to Dover monthly meeting Indiana; which has been read and directed to be signed and forwarded.

extract from qr mt,

The following extract from the minutes of the Quarterly meeting has been received. The preparatives are directed to raise by their ratio $24 as directed in the extract, pay the money into the hands of our treasurer and report in 11th month next,

Extract

The monthly meetings were directed to raise their respective ballances of money directed raised in 11th month last and also 4 percent of $300 additional [illegible]

Winchester and report to next meeting
Chester Monthly meeting is deficient
on yearly meeting stock according to
treasurer's report $18.16 and on original
assessment for building $145.00
By direction of the meeting aforesaid
[illegible] Clerk

The meeting concluded.

Chester Monthly meeting of Friends
held 10th mo 22nd 1874.

Rachel Cloud in attendance — Rachel E. Cloud a member of West-Grove Monthly meeting acceptably attended this meeting and produced a proper minute from that meeting dated 10 Mo 10th 1874.

Anna Rotaw returns her minute — Anna M. Rotaw returned the minute granted her in 8th Mo last with the information that she has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of her mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Lizzie Lee returns her minute — Lizzie A. Lee returned the minute granted her in 8th Mo last with the information that she has attended to the service there in set forth to the peace of her mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Joshua Jeffries minute — Joshua Jeffries a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to attend in the love of Christ Winchester Quarterly meeting and as way opens for it to visit the meetings composing it. The meeting unites with him in the concern and liberates and

encourages him to attend there to as truth opens the way, 10th ...

The meeting then concluded.

Chester monthly meeting held 11th mo 7th 1874

J. Jeffries returns his minute — Joshua Jeffries returned the minute granted him at last meeting with the information that he has attended to the service there in set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

a certificate received for Allen Thorn and family — A certificate of membership has been received for Allen Thorne and Ruth his wife with their minor children from Cherry Grove which was read and directed to be endorsed and forwarded to New Garden Monthly meeting they now residing within the limits of that meeting.

a certificate issued for Rhoda Hunt — Our certificate committee have produced one for Rhoda A. Hunt which to Fair-Mount monthly meeting which was read and directed to be signed and directed to be signed and forwarded.

Representatives — We appoint Needham Reese Job Hindle Wilson Kendall and Benjamin Hodgin to attend our ensuing quarterly meeting as our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.

Monies — The preparatives still report deficiencies of money heretofore directed, they are continued to raise their deficiencies and report to next meeting.

com to see that — The comittee standing appointed to see that our ministers traveling in truths service are suitably provided for report they have attended to the

our Ministers are provided for	service at an expense of $48.15 the report is satisfactory to the meeting and the Preparative are directed to raise in their respective ratios $60 pay the money into the hands of this meetings treasurer to be drawn by the committee and report to next meeting.
	The meeting then concluded.
	Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 12th mo 24th 1874.
	Samuel Tebb a minister acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from Dover monthly meeting dated 10th mo 21st 1874.
M Kendall returns her minute	Martha Kendall returned the minute granted her in 6th mo last with the information that she attended to the service as far as way opened for it to the peace of her mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.
M Kendall minute	Martha Kendall a member with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of the gospel the families composing Cherry Grove preparative meeting. The concern was united with and she was liberated to attend thereto as truth opens the way.
Representative report	The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting except one and received our portion of the printed documents of our late yearly meeting. A copy of the London general epistle has been read at this time to our edification.

A certificate of membership received for Walter D Jay and family.

A certificate of membership has been received for Walter D. and Rebecca Jay with their minor children Alice, Elizabeth and William Jay from White Water monthly meeting dated 11th mo 25th 1874 which was read and accepted, the appointed Thomas C. Strawbridge and Jacob L. Hamilton in conjunction with a like committee from womens meeting to visit them in their reception for their help and encouragement and report to next meeting.

Monies

The preparatives still being deficient in raising money as heretofore directed they are continued to raise their deficiencies and report to next meeting.

Extract from qt mtg.

The following extract has been received from the quarterly meeting and the directions therein contained claim our attention. The preparatives are directed to raise in their respective ratios one hundred and twenty dollars $120 for yearly meeting stock, pay the money into the hands of this meeting's treasurer who is directed to forward it to the treasurer of the Quarterly meeting and report in fourth month next.

Extract

The monthly meetings were directed to attend to the following subjects (to wit)

1st To read for careful consideration the minute on the state of society found in the printed minutes of our late Yearly meeting.

2nd To raise in their respective proportions $600 to increase the yearly meeting's treasury and report in 5th mo next.

3rd To raise their respective deficiencies of money heretofore directed for yearly meeting stock

and for quarterly Meeting the Yearly meeting then and make report in 4th mo next.

4th) To enter upon this record the following ratio of apportionments between the monthly meetings for raising money (to wit) New Garden 56 cents to the dollar Dover 24 Chester 20.

By direction of the meeting

C. J. Woodard clerk

The meeting concluded.

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 1st mo 21st 1875

Home mission work

The subject of home mission work having been brought before the meeting at this time we appoint Edward King James Wilkes and Jacob D Hampton in conjunction with a similar committee of womens meeting to propose to next meeting the names of a suitable number of of friends to have care of that work

Temperance report

The committee on temperance now make a satisfactory report, they are continued and directed to report in twelfth month next. The names of the committee are Jacob F Hampton Thomas C Stanbridge Mahlon Bond Elihu Cox Margaret Hampton, Esther Stanbridge Rebecca Windle and Elizabeth Hodgin,

com to visit Wille D Jay and family

The committee appointed to visit Walter D Jay and family on the reception of their certificate for their help and encouragement report the service has not been attended to, they are continued and directed to report to next meeting.

Monies — Our treasurer reports he has not yet received sufficient money to pay up our deficiencies, The preparatives are again directed to pay their respective deficiencies in to the hands of our treasurer and report to next meeting

The meeting then concluded,

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 2nd Mo 25th 1875

E Clarke minute — Elwood Clark a minister accompanied by Marian his wife in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from Westfield Monthly meeting dated 12th Mo 3rd 1874

A M Cotaw minute — Anna M Cotaw a minister of the Gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in in the love of Christ as way opens for it the meetings composing NewGarden quarterly meeting, and to visit some families within its limits amongst friends and others. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging her to attend thereto as truth opens the way

Home mission work — The committee appointed at last meeting to propose the names of friends to constitute a committee on home missions propose the names of Isaac Cotaw, Benjamin Hodgin, Evan Hodgin, William Strawbridge, Mary Little, Mary Strawbridge, Emily Windle and Clarissa King, with whom the meeting unites and they are appointed to that service and

directed to report in 3rd mo. next;

queries and answers — The 1st 2nd and 8th queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary is taken and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing quarterly meeting by Samuel Bunker, Walter T. Jay, Eber Pickett and Wilson Kendall whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.

The committee continued at last meeting to visit Walter T. Jay and family report the service has been performed.

Clerks — The following named friends are appointed to confer together and propose to next meeting the name of a friend to serve this meeting as clerk the ensuing year, one for assistant clerk and one for messenger viz Benjamin Hodgin Job Hindle and Jacob L. Hampton.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of Friends held 3rd Mo 25th 1875

Martha A Kendall returned the minute granted her in 12th month last with the information that she has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of her mind which is satisfactory to this meeting

Representatives — The representatives report they all attended the Quarterly meeting

Clerk

The committee appointed at last meeting to propose the names of friends to serve this meeting as clerk, assistant clerk and messenger, offer the name of Wilson Kendall for clerk, Clarence E. Belew for assistant and Thomas L. Strawbridge for messenger, the names proposed being united with they are appointed to their respective services.

com to settle with tresur

Isaac Belew James L. Bunch and Nathan Hodgin are appointed to settle with this meetings treasurer and propose the name of a friend to serve as treasurer and report to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th Mo 22nd 1875

A certificate of membership received for S. Jaynes

A certificate of membership was received for Samuel Jaynes from Springdale monthly meeting Kansas, which was read and accepted and Joshua Jeffries and Benjamin Hodgin are appointed to visit him for his encouragement and report to next meeting.

Scripture school report

The committee continued in third month 1874 to have the care of Scripture schools report. They have had two schools under their care one at Chester and one at Woodberry. The one at Chester continued the entire year with an average attendance of 80. Woodberry continued 3 months with an average attendance of 6. We think the work has been blessed to those who have participated therein. The com appointed to have the care of this work the ensuing year are Elias H. Hodgin Samuel Bunker and W. D. Foy

The friends appointed to settle with

the treasurer report they find his accounts correct and find a balance of 85.14 in his hands; and they propose the name of Needham Reese for treasurer with whom the meeting unites and he is appointed to the service and the former treasurer is directed to pay over to him the funds remaining in his hands.

report of com to settle with treasurer

The committee appointed to have the care of those who require pecuniary aid report they have given the subject some attention and think that further care is necessary the committee are released and Needham Reese and Albert Picketts are appointed to have the care of that work and report in 4th mo next.

Com on poor

We appoint Nathan Hodgin Thomas C. Strawbridge, Benjamin Hodgin, and Walter P. Jay to consider the propriety of a change of overseers, and propose to next meeting the name of four friends to serve in that station

Overseers

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 5th mo 20th 1875

Jabez L. Hodgin and Tempy his wife request for themselves and minor son John Wm. also Albie Barnes a minor under their care to be joined in membership with friends, The meeting is united in receiving them and they are received into membership, and James Weeks and Thomas C. Strawbridge are appointed to visit them for their help and encouragement and report to next meeting.

Jabes L. Hodgin and family received

queries — The 1st 2nd and 8th queries were read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing quarterly meeting by James Weeks, John D. Hampton Benjamin Hodgin and David Tuttle whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.

com to visit S Jaynes — The committee appointed to visit Samuel Jaynes on the reception of his certificate report the service has been performed.

Overseers — The committee appointed at last meeting to nominate overseers offer the names of Madison Reid, Millville Strawbridge Jesse Hunt and Walter D. Jay, the nominations are satisfactory and the friends are appointed to that service.

Monies — The preparatives report their deficiencies of money not all paid up, they are continued to further care and directed to report to next in 5th month next.

minute of friends in attendance — ~~The meeting then concluded~~ Clarkson Whitacre a member of Poplar Run Monthly meeting accompanied by Elijah Johnson acceptably attended this meeting and produced minutes of unity from that meeting dated 5th mo 15th 1875

Mary D. Branson a member of Poplar Run monthly meeting acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity from that meeting dated 5th mo 15th 1875

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 6th Mo 24th 1875

Minister in attendance — Miles Mendenhall a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced satisfactory credentials from Springfield monthly meeting dated 6th Mo 19th 1875

Elihu Carter a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced satisfactory credentials from Poplar Run monthly meeting dated 6th Mo 5th 1875

Anna M. Cotaw returned the minute granted her in 2nd month last with the information that she has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of her mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

com to visit J. L. Hodgin — The committee appointed at last meeting to visit Jabez L. Hodgin and family on their reception into membership report the service has been performed,

Representatives — The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting

statistics — We appoint John D Hampton and Jacob Hampton to assist the overseers in ~~collecting~~ preparing answers to the annual and statistical queries and report in 8th Mo next

extract — The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received The preparatives are directed to raise in their respective ratios $14.64 being our portion of the expense of repairs done on the quarterly meeting house pay the money into the hands

of this meetings treasurer who is directed to pay it into the hands of the treasurer of of the quarterly meeting and report in 8th month next.

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 7th Mo 22nd 1875.

B. Hodgin minute

Benjamin Hodgin a member with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to attend in the love of Christ Oak Ridge monthly meeting Hamelton county Indiana and to visit as way opens for it the families composing it, The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend there to as truth opens the way,

com on change of Woodberry meeting house

We appoint the following named friends to take into consideration the propriety of making such some changes in Woodberry meeting house in order to make it more convenient and comfortable and they are directed to make such changes as they think proper at once provided that meeting will pay the expense, viz Needham Reese, James Weeks, Nathan Hodgin; and Isaac Botaw, and they are directed to report to next meeting

The meeting then concluded,

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 8th Mo 19th 1875,

queries

All the queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from each of the preparatives from which a

summary has been taken and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing Quarterly meeting by Henry King, Eber Pickett, Benjamin Hodgin and Clarence E. Kelsey whom we appoint our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting

statistics — The committee appointed in sixth month last to assist the overseers in making out a statistical report have produced the following which is directed to be forwarded with the reports to the quarterly meeting

Monies — The treasurer reports deficiencies of monies continued to be raised by former directions the subject is again referred to their care and they are directed to report in 11th Mo. next.

Woodbury Mt. house — The committee appointed at last meeting to take into consideration the propriety of making some changes in Woodbury meeting house report they have attended to the service agreeably to the direction of the meeting which is satisfactory to the meeting.

J. C. Faber and Sarah C. King marriage intentions — James C. Faber and Sarah C. King informed this meeting that with divine permission and friends approbation they intend marriage with each other. They will be expected to present to next meeting consent of parents, and he a certificate from the meeting of which he is a member setting forth his clearness of similar engagements with others.

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 9th Mo 23rd 1875

The clerk being absent the assistant served as clerk for the day

Representatives The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting except one.

Marriage licence James C Faber and Sarah A King having made known their intentions of marriage at said meeting he produced to this meeting a certificate from the meeting of which he is a member setting forth his clearness of marriage engagements with others, and parents consent being now given, they are left at liberty to accomplish their marriage according to friends rules. By their request a meeting is appointed at the residence of Dean King for the purpose of solemnizing their marriage at 4 O'clock on the 24th inst. and Jacob P Hamilton is appointed to see that a marriage certificate is prepared and read, place it in the hands of the recorder and report to next meeting

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 10th Mo 21st 1875

Minute Linas Mote in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from West Branch monthly meeting dated 10th Mo 14th 1875

The friend appointed at last meeting to read a marriage certificate for James C Faber and Sarah A King reports the service performed. The meeting then concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of Friends held 11th mo 25th 1874,

Minute

Our beloved friend Anna M. Nolan a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of the Divine Master a part of all the meetings composing Westfield Quarterly meeting and a part of the meetings composing White Water quarterly meeting. The meeting unites with her in the concern and liberates and encourages her to attend thereto as truth opens the way.

Representatives

We appoint Elias M. Hodgin Edward King Isaac Nolan and Benjamin Hodgin to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting as our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.

money

The treasurer reports he has received no money upon our deficiencies since last report. The preparatives are directed to report again to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded;

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 12th mo 23rd 1874.

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting

certificate for S. C. Taber

Our committee on certificates have produced one for Sarah C. Taber to Hartland monthly meeting Iowa which was approved and directed to be signed and forwarded,

The preparatives report their deficiencies of money have not yet been raised

Monies — We appoint Needham Reese, James P Bunch, William Strawbridge Walter D Jay and Nathan Hodgin, as a finance committee to whom are refered our deficiencies and all money matters that shall from time to time come before this meeting, and they are directed to collect and pay them over to the proper treasurers as this meeting may direct, and the monthly meetings treasurer is released from farther service and directed to turn over his accounts to the committee

Extract — The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received and the subjects therein contained have received our attention. The finance committee are directed to raise and pay to the quarterly meetings treasurer $17.25 being our portion of yearly meeting stock. Extract

At New Garden Quarterly Meeting held 11th Mo 27th 1875,
The monthly meetings were directed to attend to the following subjects in accordance with the direction of our late yearly meeting
1st) To read for consideration the minute made in the yearly meeting on the state of society and also the minute on the duty of our members to contribute to the work of the church
2nd) To raise their respective proportions of $ 536,25 to increase the yearly meeting stock and the meetings that are deficient are also directed to raise their respective ballances of money heretofore directed for yearly meeting stock and for other purposes and report in 5th month next
Taken from the minutes of the meeting
E J Woodard clerk

The meeting then concluded,

Chester Monthly meeting 2nd Mo 20th 1876

The meeting then cluded.

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 2nd Mo 24th 1876.

B Hodgin returns his minute

Benjamin Hodgin returned the minute granted him in 1st Mo last with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

B Hodgin minute

Benjamin Hodgin a member in unity with us expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in the love of Christ as way opens for it the families composing Oak Ridge and Back Creek monthly meetings. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend thereto as truth opens the way

a certificate of membership for T H Lawrence and family

A certificate of membership has been received for Thomas H. and Anna Mariah Lawrence with their minor children, Christopher, Jesse, Sarah, Martha Jane, Zilpha, Thomas Henry and Anna Mariah Lawrence from Fairmount monthly meeting dated 2nd Mo 16th 1876, which was read read and accepted, also one for Mariam ~~Ann~~ Lawrence from the same meeting and same date which was accepted and we appoint Jacob T. Hampton and Dean King in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to visit them on their reception for their help and encouragment and report to next meeting

Temperance — The committee on temperance now make a satisfactory report, They are continued and directed to report in 1st mo next,

Queries — The 1st 2nd and 8th queries were read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing quarterly meeting by Mildry Hadley, Isaac Hylaw, Jacob D Hampton and James P Cunch whom we appoint our representatives and direct them to report to next meeting

A Samms and Lizzie Lee marriage intentions — Aaron Samms and Lizzie A Lee informed this meeting that with divine permission and friends approbation they intend marriage with each other, they are expected to produce to next meeting ~~meeting~~ parents consent and he a certificate from the meeting of which he is a member setting forth his clearness of similar engagements with others.

Clerks — The following friends are appointed to confer together and propose to next meeting the name of a friend to serve this meeting as clerk the ensuing year, one for assistant and one for messenger, viz Elias W Hodgin James Weeks and William Strawbridge,

Ministers in attendance — David J Coffin a minister accompanied by George Rhugart an elder in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from New Garden monthly meeting dated 2nd mo 19th 1876.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly meeting of friends
held 3rd Mo 23rd 1876

Ministers

Mordecai M Gilbert, a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from Hopewell Monthly dated 10th Mo 16th 1875

Com. to visit T Lawrence and family

The friends appointed to visit Thomas Lawrence and family on the reception of their certificate report the service has been performed.

The representatives report they attended the Quarterly meeting

A Samms and L Lee withdraw their intentions of marriage

Aaron Samms and Lizzie A. Lee produced to this meeting the following;

To Chester monthly Meeting held 3rd Mo 23rd 1876
Dear friends, We the undersigned discontinue our intentions of marriage with each other.

Aaron Samms
Lizzie A. Lee.

Clerks

The friends appointed to propose ~~to propose~~ to this meeting the name of a friend to serve as Clerk the ensuing year one for assistant and one for messenger propose the name of Wilson Kendall for clerk Clarence E. Rotan, for assistant and Albert Pickett for messenger the nominations are united with, and the friends are appointed to their respective services.

Home mission

The committee appointed, in 2nd Mo, 75 on Home missions now make a satisfactory report. we appoint James S Runah James Weeks and Albert Pickett

~~to propose~~ in conjunction with a committee of women friends to propose to next meeting the names of friends to have the care of that work the ensuing year.

The meeting concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th Mo 20th 1876.

Ministers in Attendance

John Addington returned the minute granted him in 6th Mo 1874 with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

A Pickett minute

Albert Pickett returned the minute granted him in 6th Mo 1874 with the ~~written~~ information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

~~H. Commission~~ commission

The committee appointed at last meeting to propose to this the names of friends to constitute a committee on home mission work, offer the names of Benjamin Hodgin, James P. Kunod, Albert Pickett, Eliza N. Hodgin, Wilson Kendall, Mary Little, Mary Strawbridge, Almira King, and Anna M. Bolan, with whom the meeting unites and they are appointed to the service and directed to report in fourth month ~~last~~ next.

Rose and Walter Pickett received

Rose Anna and Walter E. Pickett, minor children of Eber Pickett request to be joined in membership with friends, The meeting is united in granting their request and accordingly Durham Hamilton, James Hicks and Wilson Kendall are to visit them on this condition for their help

and encouragement and report to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly meeting of Friends held 5th Mo 25th 1876.

Minute of ministers

Our beloved friend John Eddington a minister of the gospel of Christ with whom we have unity, expressed in this meeting a concern to labor for his Divine Master under his guidance within the limits of Iowa Yearly meeting amongst friends and others.
The meeting unites with him in the concern and liberates and encourages him to attend thereto as truth opens the way

S School report

The committee on firstday scripture schools now make a satisfactory report they are continued and directed to report in third month next.

queries

The first second and eighth queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing quarterly meeting by Albert Hazell William Strawbridge Wilson Kendall and Walter D Foy whom we appoint our representatives and direct them to report to next meeting.

The committee appointed at last meeting to visit Rosanna and Walter E Pickett report the service performed,

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 6th Mo 22nd 1876

Minister — Anna M Bolaw returned the minute granted her in 11th Mo last with the information that she has attended to the service there in set forth to the peace of her mind which is satisfactory to the meeting,

Our beloved friend Anna M Bolaw a minister of the gospel of Christ with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to labor for her Divine Master within the limits of Spiceland ~~monthly~~ quarterly meeting. The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging her to attend there to as truth opens the way.

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting

The meeting then cluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 7th Mo 20th 1876

John Addington returned the minute granted him ~~at last meeting~~ in 5th Mo last with the information that he has attended to the service there in set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting,

Anna M Bolaw returned the minute granted her at last meeting with the information that she has attended to the service there in set forth to the peace of her

mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

A certificate of membership received for L. Conn — A certificate of membership has been received for Luvinda Connor from White Water Monthly meeting dated 6th Month 28th 1876 which was read and accepted

Extract from minutes of qr mt — The following extract from the minutes of the Quarterly meeting has been received and the subject has is directed to the care of our finance committee

Extract

At New Garden Quarterly meeting held 5th Mo 27th 1876 The monthly meetings that are behind in their assessments of money are again directed to raise their respective deficiencies and report to next meeting.

Cornelius J. Woodard clerk

Statistics — We appoint Clarrence E Bolaw Elias M Hodgin and James P. Bunch to assist the overseers in preparing answers to the annual and statistical queries and report to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 8th Mo 24th 1876

queries — All the queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from each of the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting by Eber Pickett Thomas H. Lawrence James Weeks and Benjamin Hodgin

Representatives — whom we appoint to attend as our representatives and report to next meeting

Statistics — The friends appointed at last meeting to assist the overseers in preparing a statistical report have produced the following a copy of which is directed to be forwarded in the report to ~~next~~ Quarterly meeting

Statistical report

Number of births	8
deaths	3
received by request	2
certificate	0
Members	232
males	100
females	182
families	55
Parts of families	24
Isolated members	8
Number under 21 years of age	103
removed by certificate	1
Disowned	0
Resigned	0
Established meetings	2
Recorded ministers	3
Meetings without "	0

The meeting then concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 9th Mo 21st 1876 PRO

Representatives — The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting.

Extract — The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received and is directed to the

care of our finance committee

extract

At New Garden Quarterly meeting held 8th Mo 26th 1876.

The monthly meetings were directed to raise in their respective ratios one hundred dollars, and place the money in the hands of the quarterly meetings treasurer, and report to next meeting; also to raise their respective deficiencies of money as directed in 11th Mo last, and in case of a failure to raise it the monthly meetings are expected to report definitely as to the cause of failure.

By direction of the meeting
Cornelius Woodard clk

Chester Monthly Meeting of friends held 10th Mo 19th 1876.

Minute of A M Votaw

Anna M Votaw a minister of the gospel of Christ with whom we have unity laid before this meeting a concern to attend in the love of Christ, Fairfield Quarterly meeting and a part of the meetings composing it, also a part of the meetings composing Center quarterly meeting. The meeting unites with her in the concern and she is liberated and encouraged to attend thereto as truth opens the way

Lydia Chase in attendance

Lydia M Chase a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced credentials from South Land Monthly meeting dated 8th Mo 16th 1876, endorsed by the Missionary Board of of Indiana

yearly meeting.

The meeting then concluded,

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 11th Mo 23rd 1876,

Anna M Cotaw now returns the
A M Cotaw returns her minute — minute granted her at last meeting
with the information that she has
attended to the service to the peace
of her mind which is satisfactory
to the meeting.

John Addington a minister of the
gospel with whom we have unity
expressed in this meeting a concern
to labor in the love of Christ in
the northern part of Hamilton and
Howard counties Indiana, and to perform
some service in other localities while
engaged in the work, The meeting
is united with him in the concern
and he is liberated and encouraged
to attend thereto as truth opens
the way,

Jacob P. Hampton, an Elder with whom
we have unity expressed in this meeting
Jacob Hampton minute — a concern which has rested on his mind
for some time past and latterly with
increased weight to visit in love
of the gospel [illegible] families belonging
to Chester Monthly meeting. The meeting
unites with him in the concern and
liberates and encourages him to attend
thereto as truth opens the way.

The appointed, Jacob P Hampton, Walter
D Gray, Isaac Coltaw and Thomas H Lawrence,

to attend the coming quarterly meeting

Representatives — as our representatives and they are directed to report to next meeting.

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 12th mo 21st 1876

Jacob T Hampton returned the minute granted him at last meeting with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

Records — A circular has been received from the representative meeting of Indiana Yearly meeting requesting information forwarded to them in regard to the condition of our records of births and deaths and marriage certificates. We appoint Wilson Kenzall, Jacob T Hampton, Needham Reese, Margaret Hampton and Mahalah Hodgin to examine our records and furnish that meeting with the desired information and report to next meeting

Appointment of elder — The committee appointed at our last quarterly meeting to take into consideration the condition of the preparative meetings of ministers and elders and to nominate persons for elders are now present with us; we appoint Benjamin Hodgin Needham Reese Thomas H Lawrence, Nathan Hodgin and Walter T Gray to act in conjunction with them and report to next meeting

The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting

Extract from extract

has been received and the subjects there in contained have received our attention. Our finance committee are directed to raise $105. for yearly meeting stock and pay it into the hands of the proper treasurer. Extract —

At New Garden quarterly meeting held 11th Mo 26th 1876. The several monthly meetings were directed to attend to the following subjects (1st) to read for consideration the minutes made on the state of society contained in the printed minutes of our late yearly meeting

(2nd) to raise in their respective proportions $525.00 to increase the yearly meeting treasury and also to raise their respective deficiencies of money heretofore directed by this meeting, and they are to make report to our next meeting

By direction of the meeting

H. J. Woodard Clerk

Representative report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting and received our portion of the printed documents of our late yearly meeting and distributed them amongst our members.

Lizzie A Lee

Women's meeting informs that Lizzie A Lee has resigned her right of membership and after due consideration they are united in accepting her resignation. This meeting unites with the judgment of women's meeting in the case, and her right ceases accordingly.

Minutes

David J McMillan a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced [illegible] from [illegible]

monthly meeting dated 8th mo 31st 1876.

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of friends held 1st mo 25th 1877.

Minute — Elizabeth Williams a member of New Garden Monthly meeting is acceptably in attendance of this meeting and produced a minute dated 1st mo 20th 1877 liberating her to visit the families of this monthly meeting

Report upon elders — The joint committee of the Quarterly and monthly meetings on the subject of the nomination of elders &c now make the following report which is accepted and the names proposed are continued and appointed to that service. Report

We the committee appointed by New Garden Quarterly and Chester monthly meeting on subject of elders &c have attended to the object of our appointment and are united in proposing that Nathan Hodgin Joseph D Hampton Milton Kendall Mahalah Hodgin Rachel Jeffries and Mary Little be continued in the station of elders and that Dean King Rachel Brown and Esther King be appointed to that station

By direction of the committee

Benajah Knight Clerk

Records — The committee appointed at last meeting on the subject of the records of this meeting Report they have given attention to the subject. they are continued and directed to report when completed

Temperance report

The committee on Temperance now make they have given attention to the subject have held one public meeting distributed some tracts and extended some private labor in that direction The report is accepted and the committee are continued and directed to report in (1st) Mo next.

Monies

Our finance committee have made a satisfactory report they are continued to farther service and the name of Edw. M. Hodgin is added to the committee.

certificate of membership A. Hampton

The committee on certificates have produced one for Addison H. Hampton to White Water monthly meeting which was read approved and directed to be signed and forwarded.

The meeting then concluded,

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 2nd Mo 22nd 1877.

Minute

John Addington now returns the minute granted him in 11 mo last with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting. He also laid before the meeting a concern to labor in the love of Christ within the limits of White Water, Winchester and New Garden quarterly meetings as way opens for it, the meeting unites with him in the concern and liberates and encourages him to attend thereto as truth opens the way,

Cynthia J Rees a minister, in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from Cherry Grove monthly meeting dated 2 mo 10th 1877

Queries

The first second and eighth queries were read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing quarterly meeting by Thomas H Trueblood Walter D Fay, William Strawbridge and Jacob D Hampton whom we appoint our representatives and direct them to report to next meeting

Request of J Jones for membership

Woodberry preparative meeting informs that John Jones requests to be joined in membership with friends, also that Daniel A Nicholson and Olive his wife make a like request Needham Reese and Jacob D Hampton are appointed in conjunction with a committee of women friends to visit them on their request and report to next meeting.

Clerks

Walter D Fay Thomas C Strawbridge and Isaac Elston are appointed to propose to next meeting the name of a friend to serve this meeting as clerk the ensuing year one for assistant clerk and one for messenger,

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 3rd Mo. 22nd 1877

Bible School report

The committee having the care of Bible schools the past year now make report as follows which is satisfactory to the meeting and they are continued and the names of James P Bunch and Edward King are added to the committee, and the Finance committee are directed to raise twenty dollars ($20.) and pay it into the hands of the committee to buy books and maps for the schools

report

There has been a school at Chester during the entire year, and considerable of interest manifest by those who attend regular: Many of our members are mostly or altogether absent We are much in need of a large map of Palestine also more bibles, We hope the monthly meeting will see fit to furnish these, Whole number in attendance 105, Average attendance 31, Have four classes. One school at Woodberry the past five months with an average of 25. On behalf of the committee

E M Hodgin
Almira King,

com to visit aplicants for membership

The committee appointed at last meeting to visit those making aplication for membership report the service has not been fully accomplished but with the information now given the meeting comes to the judgment to receive them into membership and appoints Albert Pick. H [illegible] and John Addington to in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to visit them for

their encouragement and report to next meeting

Representatives The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting

The committee appointed at last
appointment of clerks meeting to nominate clerks and messenger offer the name of Wilson Kendall for clerk Clarence Lelaw for assistant clerk and Albert Pickett for messenger the names proposed were united with and they were appointed to the service,

The meeting then concluded,

Chester Monthly Meeting of friends held 4th Mo 19th 1877,

Abram Elliott requests to be joined in
A Elliott membership with friends the meeting unites with his request and he is received into membership, Benjamin Hodgin John Addington and Thomas C. Strawbridge are appointed to visit him for his encouragement, and report to next meeting

Chester preparative forwards the names of
applicants for membership Martha Boyd Emma Boyd Bessie Boyd Sarah A Smith, Lucy Epps Mary Epps Elizabeth Hazlett Thomas Pickett and William Epps for membership The meeting is united in receiving them and appoints Benjamin Hodgin William Strawbridge and Jacob Hampton to visit them for their encouragement and report to next meeting

The committee having the care of home

Home mission report — mission work make the following report which is satisfactory and the committee are continued and directed to report in fourth month next, report We have held 15 meetings and some individual work in the way of distributing tracts visiting families &c which we trust has been blessed to the good of souls,
On behalf of the com,
Wilson Kendall clerk,

certificate for J. Elliott and family — The committee on certificates have produced one for Jacob Elliott and four minor children viz Arthur Ulysses, Francis Thomas, Nevada May, and Bertha Glandora; to New Garden Monthly meeting which was read approved and directed to be signed and forwarded,

The committee appointed at last meeting to visit those received into membership report attended to,

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of friends held 5th mo 24th 1877,

queries — The first second and eighth queries were read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting by Benjamin Hadzin Isaac Botaw Needham Reese and Albert Pickett whom we appoint our representatives and direct them to report to next meeting

com to visit A Elliott

The committee appointed at last meeting to visit Abram B Eliott on his reception into membership report the service has been attended to

The committee appointed at last meeting to visit those aplicants for membership from Chester preparative on their reception into membership report the service has been performed,

The meeting then concluded,

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th Mo. 21st 1877

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting.

The meeting concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 7th Mo 19th 1877

J Bunch returns minute

James P Bunch returned the minute granted him in 5th Mo 1874, with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

A M Osborn minute

Anna M Osborn a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to attend Bloomfield and Hopewell monthly meetings and to labor for her Divine Master within their limits as she feels called for at her hands; the

meeting unites with her in the concern and liberates and encourages her to attend there to as truth opens the way.

J P Bunch minute

James P Bunch a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to labor for his Divine Master in the way of appointing meetings in and immediately surrounding his own locality. The meeting unites with him in the concern and he is liberated to attend thereto as truth opens the way

Statistics

We appoint Clarrence E Botaw Benjamin Hodgin and Elias M Hodgin to assist the overseers in preparing answers to the annual and statistical queries and report to next meeting

Extract

The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received and the subject therein contained is directed to the care of our finance committee,

Extract

At New Garden Quarterly meeting held 5th Mo 26th 1877, The Monthly Meetings that are behind ~~in~~ raising money heretofore directed by the Quarterly meeting are again directed to raise their respective quotas and report thereon to next meeting. By direction of the meeting aforesaid

H J Woodard clerk

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 8th Mo 23rd 1877.

queries

The queries have all been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to our ensuing quarterly meeting by Elias M Hodgin Walter D Gray Albert Pickett and Jacob F Hampton whom we appoint our representatives and direct them to report to next meeting

statistics

The committee appointed at last meeting to assist the overseers in preparing a statistical report have produced the following a copy of which is directed to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting

The number of births	2
Deaths	4
Received by request	13
by certificate	0
Number of members	251
Males	114
females	137
families	36
Parts of families	29
Isolated members	10
under 21 years of age	115
removed by certificate	0
Disowned	0
Resigned	1
Recorded ministers	3
Established meetings	2
meetings without a Recorded minister	0

certificate for M Hodgin and family

The committee on certificates have produced one for Milton Hodgin and Matilda his wife and two minor children viz Emma Eldora and Birdy Leroy Hodgin

to Cherry Grove monthly meeting which was read approved and directed to be signed and forwarded,

Minister — John Howard a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced approved credentials from Hopewell monthly meeting Vermilion county Illinoise, accompanied by Richard Mendenhall who produced a minute from Vermilion monthly meeting Illinois dated 8th mo 1877

Enos Pemberton a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced proper credentials from West Branch monthly Ohio dated 7th mo 16th 1877,

The meeting concluded,

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 9th mo 20th 1877,

Minute W D Gay — Walter D Gay a member in unity amongst us expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of the gospel of Christ, the families composing Miami monthly meeting as way opens for it, The meeting unites with him in the concern, and he is liberated and encouraged to attend thereto as truth opens the way.

The representatives report they all attended the [redacted] quarterly meeting

We appoint Isaac Bolaw Nathan

Overseers — Hodgin and James P Bunch to consider the propriety of a change of overseers and propose to next meeting the names of four suitable friends to serve in that station

records — The committee appointed in first month last to revise and correct the record of births and deaths, and marriage certificates report they have given the subject attention and have completed the records as far as practible up to the present date

Minister — Adaliza R Parker a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity from her monthly meeting dated 6th Mo 16th 1877.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 10th Mo 25th 1877

certificate received for Amos Stuart and family — A certificate of membership was received for Amos and Melissa E. Stuart and Rachel E Miles from Spiceland monthly meeting dated 9th Mo 1st 1877 which was read and accepted. Jacob L Hampton, Dean King and John Addington are appointed to visit them on their reception for their help and encouragement and report to next meeting

The committee appointed at last meeting to nominate overseers propose

Overseers — The names of Elias M Hodgin Thomas H Lawrence Benjamin Hodgin and Walter D Jay who being united with are appointed to that service

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 11th mo 22nd 1877

W D Jay returns his minute — Walter D Jay returned the minute granted him at last with the information that he has attended to the service there in set fort to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

A. M. Botaw returns her minute — Anna M Botaw returned the minute granted her at last with the information that she has attended to the service there in set forth to the peace of her mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

W D Jay minute — Walter D Jay a member in unity among us laid before the meeting a concern to visit in the love of Christ the families composing Woodberry preparative and New Garden monthly meeting the meeting unites with him in the concern and he is liberated and encouraged to attend there to as truth opens the way

Report of com to visit Amos Stuart — The committee appointed at last meeting to visit Amos Stuart and wife and Rachel Miles on report the service has not been attended to they are continued and directed to report to next meeting.

representatives — We appoint Eber Sickett Isaac Cotton Jacob D Hampton and Walter D Jay to attend the ensuing quarterly meeting as our representatives and report to next meeting

certificate for Nancy Smith — A certificate of membership was received and read for Nancy Ann Smith and her minor children, Charles A Edgar, James Elmer, and Corrilla, from Springdale monthly meeting Kansas dated 8th mo 11th 1877 The meeting directs it endorsed and forwarded to Greenfield monthly meeting, she now living within the limits of that meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester monthly Meeting of friends held 12th mo 20th 1877.

com to visit A Stuart report — The committee continued at last meeting to visit Amos Stuart and family on the reception of their certificate report the service has been attended to,

Extract — The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received and the subjects therein contained have received our attention.
The money directions are refered to the care of the finance committee

Extract

At NewGarden Qut, meeting 11th Mo 24 - 1877,

The monthly meetings were directed to attend to the following subjects according to directions of our last yearly meeting. 1st To read for consideration

the minute made in the yearly meeting on the state of society To raise by their respective ratios $375 00 to increase the yearly meetings treasury and also to raise their respective deficiencies of money heretofore directed by the quarterly meeting and make definite report to next meeting To endeavor to raise by voluntary contribution $41.25 to aid the executive committee on peace and report thereon to next meeting. To encourage the preparatives to organize for work in the peace cause according to the plan suggested by the associated committee on Peace. To make a careful examination of their records and see that they are properly brought up and carefully kept and also to see that the statistics are carefully made out at an early day and forwarded to the yearly meeting. By direction of the meeting

Cornelius J Woodard clerk

Monies

We appoint Isaac Votaw and James P Kinch to endeavor to raise by voluntary contribution our portion of money to aid the executive com on peace and report to in second mo. next

com to make out a record of the membership

We appoint Jacob Hamilton Job Windle, Walter P Jay and William Stanbridge to make out a complete record of the membership of this meeting, and furnish the monthly meeting with a statistical report in 8th mo next.

The meeting concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 1st Mo 24th 1878.

Ministers — Mahlon Chamless a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably vis attended this meeting and produced a minute of unity from Springfield monthly meeting dated 12th Mo 15 1877

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2nd Mo 21st 1878

W D Jay returns his minute — Walter D Jay returned the minute granted him in 11th Mo last with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

J P Bunch returns his minute — James P Bunch returned the minute granted him in 7th Mo last with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

J P Bunch minute — James P Bunch a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in love of Christ most or all the meetings composing Sand Creek, Thorntown, Walnut Ridge and Spiceland quarterly meetings also to perform some service for the master in some adjoining localities. The meeting unites with him in the concern and he is liberated and encouraged to attend there to

as truth opens the way

Queries — The first second and eighth queries were read in this meeting with written answers from each of the preparatives from which a summary was taken and to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting by Walter D Fay John D Hampton Albert Pickett and William Strawbridge whom we appoint our representatives and direct them to report to next meeting.

Temperance report — The committee on temperance now make the following report which is satisfactory to the meeting and the committee are continued and directed to report to ~~next~~ in 1st mo next

Report

Since our last report we continued to hold temperance meetings as formerly until the Murphey movement was introduced with which we joined and worked together as in one common brotherhood by which many have been willing to sign the pledge and we believe that we can truly say there never was so much interest manifested in our community in the cause of temperance as at the present time. On behalf of the committee

Jacob D Hampton
Rebecca L Hindle

Resignation of L Hodgin — Jabez L Hodgin and Tempa his wife and their minor son John M, and Alta Barnes requests to resign their rights of membership, Jacob D Hampton and Dean King are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to visit them or

account of their request and endeavour to remove the cause on which it is made and report to next meeting

Clerks — Benjamin Hoo[illegible] in Needham Reese and Elias M. Hodgin are appointed to propose to next meeting the name of a friend to serve this meeting as clerk one for assistant and one for messenger.

Close — The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of friends held 3rd Mo 21st, 1878

Bible school report — The committee on bible schools now make the following report which is accepted and the committee are continued and directed to report in 3rd Mo next.

Report. The school at Chester has been kept up during the year with an average attendance of 40. We think there is an increasing interest manifested in this good work, yet we are sorry to say there are 50 of our members [of a suitable age] who do not attend or take any [illegible] part in this not only depriving themselves of the pleasures and benefits thereof but lessening the power and influence of the school. School at Woodbury was in session about 7 months during the past year with an average of 16, considerable of interest manifested throughout

The committee appointed to visit Jesse S. Hodgin and family on

make the following report which is accepted by the meeting. Report

report of com to visit J Hodgin and family

To the committee appointed to visit Jabez L. Hodgin and family on account of their request have attended to our appointment and they having considered the matter are desirous that their request be withdrawn from the meeting

On behalf of the com ~~meeting~~
Jacob D. Haughton
Mary Hindle

The representatives report they attended the quarterly meeting

clerks appointed

The committee appointed to nominate clerks and messenger offer the nam of Wilson Kendall for clerk Elias H. Hodgin for assistant clerk and Albert Pickett for messenger the names proposed are united with and they are appointed to their respective services.

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 4th Mo 25th 1878

Minutes returned

John Addington returned the minute granted him in 2nd Mo 1877 with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

Minute

John Addington a minister of the gospel of Christ with whom we have unity, expressed in this

meeting that he felt called to labor for his divine Master amongst friends and others within the limits of Indiana and Western yearly meetings, the meeting is united in liberating and encouraging him to attend thereto as Truth opens the way

Home Mission work — The committee continued in 4th month last to have care of home mission work made report which was accepted and Edward King Jacob D. Hampton Thomas Lawrence and John Addington are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to propose to next meeting the names of suitable friends for a similar committee the ensuing year

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting held 5th Mo 23rd 1878,

Minister — John Allen a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced approved credentials from Deer Creek monthly meeting dated 1st 1878

certificate of membership for Jesse Evans and family — A certificate of membership was received for Jesse Evans and Mary his wife and son Joseph Evans from Maryville monthly meeting Tennessee which was read and directed to be endorsed and forwarded to Stanton monthly meeting Illinois they having removed and settled within the limits of that meeting

certificate for Willis Bond — Our committee on certificates have produced one for Willis Bond to Sugar River monthly meeting which as read and directed to be signed and forwarded.

The 1st 2cond and 8th queries were with read with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the ensuing quarterly meeting by Amos Stuart Jacob D Hampton Walter D Jay and Thomas H Lawrence whom we appoint our representatives and direct them to report to next meeting — queries

Home Mission work — The committee appointed to nominate a committee to have the care of home mission work offer the following names with whom the meeting unites and appoints them to the service viz Eber Pickett Eliza M Hodgins Albert Pickett Anna M Jolow Hattie Pickett and Lizzie Kendall.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting held 6th Mo. 20 1878.

The representatives report they all attended the Quarterly meeting

Extract — The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received and the directions contained there in are referred to the care of the finance committee

Extract

At New Garden Quarterly meeting held

5th Mo 25th 1878. The monthly meetings were directed to raise in their respective ratios $75.00 and pay the money into the hands of our treasurer, also their respective deficiencies and report to next meeting

Home Missions — By request of one of the members of the home mission committee the name of Benjamin Hodgin is added to the committee

The ~~commit~~ concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 7th Mo 25th 1878

Minute — Walter D. Jay a member in unity amongst us expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in the love of Christ the families composing Springboro particular meeting and a part or all of the families composing Cesars Creek monthly meeting. Unity was expressed with our brother in his concern and he was liberated and encouraged to attend thereto as truth opens the way

certificate of membership for W. A. Devenport and family — A certificate of membership was received for William A. Devenport and Martha M. his wife and two minor children Timothy M. and John H. McDowel, from Spicewood monthly meeting dated 4th Mo 11 1878 which was read and accepted we appoint Isaac Wotaw and Amos Stuart in conjunction with

a committee of women friends to visit them on their reception for their encouragement and report to next meeting

com on poor

The committee appointed to extend care to those of our members requiring pecuniary aid report they have given the subject some attention and ask the meeting to raise $15 to assist them in the work. The report is accepted and the committee continued to farther service, and the finance committee is directed to raise and pay into their hands $15 as occasion requires,

The meeting then concluded,

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 8th Mo 22nd 1898

queries

The queries were read in this meeting with written answers from the preparative from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting by Amos Stuart Walter D Jay Albert Pickett and Jacob D Hampton whom we appoint our representatives and direct them to report to next meeting.

Records and statistics

The committee appointed in 12th Mo last to make a complete record of the membership of this meeting and furnish the necessary statistical report not being ready to make a full report are continued and directed to report in 12th Mo next. They have furnished the following statistics —

Number of births 5 Deaths 1 Received by request 0 by certificate 4 number of members 226 males 100 females 126 number of families 43 parts of families 26 isolated members 7 number of members under 21 years of age 87 number removed by certificate 1 disowned 0 resigned 0 number of meetings 2 recorded ministers 3 no meeting without a recorded minister

The committee appointed to visit William Devenport and family on the reception of their certificate report the service performed.

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of friends held 9th Mo 19 1878.

Findley M Jackson a minister in
Minister the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced a minute of approval from Poplar Run Monthly meeting dated 7th Mo 20th 1878.

Chester preparative informs
J Theis that Joseph Theis requests to
requests be joined in membership with
for friends Dean King and Jacob D.
membership Hampton are appointed to visit him on account of his request and report to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 10th mo 24th 1878.

Minute of Ann M Rotaw — Anna M Rotaw a minister in unity with us laid before this meeting a concern to visit in the love of Christ some of the meetings compo[sing] Indiana and Western Yearly meetings and to perform such other service within their limits as she feels called for at her hands,
The meeting is united in liberating and encouraging her to attend there to as truth opens the way

com to visit J Theis — The committee appointed to visit Joseph Theis on account of his request for membership report some attention to the appointment they are continued and directed to report to next meeting

Hannah Clark received — Womens meeting informs that Hannah Clark and minor daughter ~~request to~~ Florence Francesina request to be joined in membership with friends and after due consider[ation] they are united in receiving them This meeting unites with the judgment of womens meeting in the case and they are received into membership

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 11th mo 21st 1878

Elias Rich, a minister in the cours[e] of a religious visit acceptably

Ministers — attended this meeting and produced approved credentials from Honey Creek Monthly meeting dated 7th mo 13th 1878

Adaliza R Parker a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced approved credentials from New Garden Monthly meeting dated 3rd mo 16 1878.

Minute returned — Walter D Jay returned the minute granted him in 7th Mo last with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

Com to visit J Theis — The committee ~~appointed~~ continued to visit Joseph Theis on the account of his request for membership report they have given the subject some farther attention but way does not open to receive him into membership at present. The committee are continued to inform him of the meetings decision in his case and report to next meeting.

Representatives — We appoint Walter D Jay Jacob L Hampton Isaac Votaw and Wilson Kendall to attend the ensuing quarterly meeting as our representatives and direct them to report to next meeting

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 12th mo 19th 1878,

Representatives report

The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting and received and distributed our portion of the printed minutes of our yearly meeting and the London general epistle

J Theis

The committee continued at last meeting to inform Joseph Theis of this meetings decision in his case report the service has been performed,

Record,

The committee continued in 8th mo last to make out a complete record of the membership of this meeting report they have given the subject farther attention, they are continued to complete the work and report to next meeting,

Extract

The following extract from the minutes of the quarterly meeting has been received and the subjects therein contained have received our attention, the finance committee are directed to raise $71.25 and pay it into the hands of the quarterly meetings treasurer it being our portion of yearly meeting stock this year Extract,

At New Garden quarterly meeting held 11th mo 23 1878, The monthly meetings were directed to read for consideration the minute made in our late yearly meeting on the state of

society. Also to raise their respective deficiencies of money heretofore directed and in addition to raise three hundred and seventy five dollars ($375.00) to increase the yearly meeting treasury, W. Hill clerk

Circular from tract society — A circular has been received from the central book and tract committee asking for aid to assist in carrying on that work, we appoint Walter D. Jay, Eber Pickett, and Amos Stuart to solicit contributions for that purpose, pay over to Joseph Dickerson treasurer of the committee what they may receive and report to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded

Chester Monthly meeting of friends held 1st mo 23rd, 1879

Minister — Samuel Pitts a minister in the course of a religious visit acceptably attended this meeting and produced approved credentials from Dover Monthly meeting dated 12 mo. 25th 1878

com. to see that our ministers are provided for — The committee appointed to see that our ministers are suitably provided for when traveling in truths service ask the meeting to raise $30 to assist them in carrying out the object of their appointment. The meeting directs the finance committee to raise that amount and pay it into the hands of the committee.

The committee continued at last

Record | meeting to complete the record of the membership of the meeting report the work accomplished, they are directed to enter the names in the record book of births and deaths, and report to next meeting,

~~The meeting then concluded~~

Boock and tracts | The committee appointed to solicit funds for the Book and tract com report some attention, they are continued and directed to report to next meeting

The meeting then concluded

Chester monthly meeting of friends held 2nd Mo 20th 1878

queries | The first second and eighth queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from the preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the quarterly meeting by Walter D Jay Amos Stuart, Samuel Bunker and Thomas H. Lawrence whom we appoint our representatives and direct them to report to next meeting

certificate of membership for R ~~Smith~~ Robenson | A certificate of membership has been received for Rachel Robenson from Spring Dale monthly meeting Iowa dated 1st Mo 19th 1877 which was read and accepted, By a notice from Milford we are informed that the certificate issued for her and two minor children dated 1st Mo 1873 by that meeting was a mistake she not being a member of Milford monthly meeting at that time

for Simmons — A certificate of membership was received for Anna Simmons and minor son Eddie from Springfield monthly meeting Kansas dated 1st Mo 16th 1879 which was read and accepted

Temperance — The committee on temperance now make the following report which is accepted and the committee are continued to further care and report to first monthly meeting next. report

Since our last report we have continued to work with the Murphy organization holding meetings weekly in which many have signed the pledge and through the influence that has been thrown around them by the society they have with but few exceptions been faithful to their obligations as well as improving in other respects,

Records — The committee on records report they have given the subject farther attention but find our book of the record of births and deaths is not suitable for farther use, they are continued and directed to purchase a book suitable for the purpose enter the names in it and report to next meeting.

Books and tracts — The committee appointed to raise money for the book and tract committee report they have raised $10 which they are directed to pay over to Joseph Dickenson treasurer of the committee

A circular has been received from the foreign mission association which

foreign missions — was read and Isaac Coltaw and Walter D Jay are appointed to raise money to help carry on that work and report to next meeting

Earlham endowment fund — In accordance with the plan recommended in the printed minutes of our late yearly meeting for increasing the endowment fund of Earlham College we appoint Isaac Coltaw to collect money for that purpose and report to ~~next~~ the meeting in 8th Mo next.

Clerks — We appoint Amos Stuart Thomas H Sanders and Samuel Bunker to propose to next meeting the name of a friend for clerk of this meeting the ensuing year one for assistant and one for messenger,

The meeting concluded.

Chester monthly Meeting of friends held 3rd Mo 20th 1879

Bible school report — The committee on bible schools report as follows which is accepted and the committee are continued and directed to report to ~~next~~ in 3rd Month next. Report

The Bible school at Chester has been kept up during the past year. Only a few of our members taking any part in it whatever Much interest is manifested in those who do attend. May those who are interested in this good work not slack their ~~hands~~ energies, but do whatever their hands find to do. We are not able to make any statistical

report at this time
Signed on behalf of the committee
Jacob D Hampton
Almira King

Representatives report — The representatives report they all attended the quarterly meeting and received our portion of the revised discipline which they were directed to divide and distribute among our members

Records — The committee on records report some farther attention they are continued and directed to report to next meeting.

Foreign missions — The committee appointed to solicit for the foreign mission as work report they have given some attention to the work they are continued and directed to report to next meeting.

clerks appointed — The committee appointed to nominate clerks and messenger offer the name of Clarrence E Bo[illegible] for clerk and Christopher Lawrence for assistant and and Jacob D Hampton for messenger. the nominations being satisfactory they are appointed to their respective services

certificate for L Conor — Womens meeting have produced a certificate of membership for Lucinda Conor to Elk River Monthly meeting which was read approved and directed to be signed and forwarded.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held
4th Mo. 24 1879.

Com. on Records

The Committee on Records reports the work is completed, and the names are recorded in a book which they purchased for that purpose. The are directed to draw on the Finance Com. for the expense of the book. The committee is released and Jacob D. Hampton continued as Recorder.

Com. to raise money for Foreign Mission Assoc

The Committee to raise money for the Foreign Mission Association reports that attention has been given to the object of their appointment.

Com. on appointment of Elders

The following named friends in conjunction with a like Committee of women friends, ~~to confer~~ are appointed to confer together and propose to next meeting the names of suitable friends to serve this meeting in the station of Elders.

viz Amos Stewart
Isaac Votaw
Samuel Bunker
Thomas Lawrence.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 5th mo. 23rd 18[illegible]

Com. on Elders Report.	The committee on the nomination of Elders now make the following report which the meeting is satisfied and the Friends whose names are proposed are retained in that station. Report. We the committee on the appointment of Elders are united in proposing that Dean [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Jacob Hampton Isaac [illegible] Esther King, Mahalah [illegible] and Mary Little be retained in that station
Representatives.	We appoint the following named Friends to attend the ensuing [illegible] Meeting as our Representatives and report to next meeting viz: [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Jay [illegible] [illegible] and Edward King.
D. [illegible] Certificate.	A Certificate of membership has been received for Daniel [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] [illegible] Meeting dated [illegible] mo. [illegible] [illegible] which was read and accepted. [illegible] [illegible] and Jacob [illegible] Hampton are appointed to visit him on his reception and report to next meeting.
Samuel and Jane Jones Cer. Received.	A Certificate of membership has been received for Samuel Jones and Jane his wife and minor [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Monthly Meeting dated 3rd mo. [illegible] [illegible] which was read and accepted. [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] Kendall are appointed to visit them on their reception and report to next meeting.
Rachel Jeffries Cer.	The Committee on certificates have produced one Rachel Jeffries to Cherry Grove Monthly Meeting of Friends which was read, approved and directed to be signed and forwarded.

Elias Hogin and family Cer.

The Committee on Certificates have produced one for Elias M. Hogin, Rachel E. his wife and ~~their~~ minor children Martha and Mary Emily to Cherry Grove Monthly Meeting which was read approved and directed to be signed and forwarded.

John McGrau and family Cer.

The Committee on Certificates have produced one for John W. McGrau and Anna Jane his wife and four minor children viz: Violetta, Orpha Elizabeth, Margaret Elmina, and Minerva Jane to Springfield Monthly Meeting which was read approved and directed to be signed and forwarded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th mo. 19 1879.

Jane Jones Minute

Our beloved friend Jane Jones a minister of the Gospel in unity with us, expressed in this meeting a concern to visit in the love of Christ the families of Chester Monthly Meeting and the meetings composing New Garden and Winchester Quarterly Meetings and attend to any other service that may be called for at her hands. The meeting unites with her in her concern and liberates and encourages her to attend thereto as best wisdom may direct.

J. Bunch Ch[illegible]

James P. Bunch now returns the Minute granted him in 2nd mo, 1879 with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Report of Com. to visit D W Lawrence — The committee appointed at last meeting to visit Daniel W. Lawrence on the reception of his certificate report the service has been attended to.

Report com. to visit Samuel & Jane Jones & family — The committee appointed at last meeting to visit Samuel and Jane Jones and family on the reception of their certificate report the service has not been performed. They are continued and directed to report to next meeting.

Report of com. on certificates — Our Committee on Certificates have produced one for Hannah Lawrence to Whitewater Monthly Meeting which was read and approved and directed to be signed and forwarded.

D A Nicholson & Olive's certif. — Our Committee on Certificates have produced one for Daniel A. Nicholson and Olive his wife to New Garden Monthly Meeting which was read and approved and directed to be signed and forwarded.

Certificate of Samuel Jones — Our Committee on certificates have produced one for Samuel Jones to New Garden Monthly Meeting which was read and approved and directed to be signed and forwarded.

Rep. Report — The Representatives report they all attended the Quarterly Meeting.

Com. on Overseers — Samuel Bunker and Jacob W. Hampton are appointed to consider the propriety of a change of Overseers and report to next meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

At Spiceland Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11 mo 4 18..

John Addington Returns his minute — John Addington now returns the minute granted him in 4th mo 18.. with the information that he has attended to the service therein set forth as far as way has opened to the comfort and satisfaction of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting

Report of com to visit S & J Jones & family — The Committee appointed in 6th mo last to visit Samuel and Jane Jones and family on the reception of their certificate report the service has been performed.

Com on overseers — The committee appointed at last meeting to nominate overseers propose that A. Thomas Lawrence and Walter D. Jay be continued and the name of Amos Stuart be added. The meeting unites with the names proposed and they are to that service.

Report of com on certificates — The Committee on Certificates now report their duties have been attended to. The meeting unites in continuing the name of Jacob G. Hampton and adding the name of William Stanbridge to the Committee.

Reception of Angelina Cox — Angelina Cox requests to be joined in membership with the religious society of Friends. The meeting unites with her request and she is received into membership.

The meeting then concluded.

[illegible] of
Friends held 5th mo. 21st 1929

James Bunch and family cer

Our committee on Certificates have produced one for James P. Bunch Eunice his wife and minor children Irvin, Priscilla, Victory and [illegible] Adella to North Branch monthly meeting Iowa which the meeting directs to be signed and forwarded.

A. J. Pickett cer

Our committee on Certificates have produced one for Albert J. Pickett Hattie his wife and minor children Florence Deborah and Myrtle to Whitewater monthly meeting which this meeting directs to be signed and forwarded.

Wm A Davenport & family Cer.

Our committee on Certificates have produced one for William A. Davenport, Margaret his wife and minor children Timothy and John McDowell to Cherry Grove monthly meeting which this meeting directs to be signed and forwarded.

The Committee on Home Missions makes the following report which the meeting accepts

Report

Report of com on home mis

Since our appointment we have held five meetings in families; some private labor has been bestowed; some sick have been visited and some tracts distributed. We feel that much work is needed in this direction; and would recommend the appointment of another committee to extend further labor.
On behalf of the Committee Eber Pickett [illegible]

Rep

All the Queries were read in this meeting with written answers from each of the Preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by Walter [illegible] Samuel Bunker, and Samuel Jones whom we appoint to attend as our Representatives and report to next meeting.

Report of Overseers

The Overseers have produced the following statistical report which the meeting directs forwarded to the Quarterly meeting.

No. of	Births	7
	Deaths	5
	Members	187
	Males	78
	Females	109
	Families	32
	Parts of families	25
	Under 21 years of age	66
	Established meetings	2
	Recorded ministers	3

All except one family are furnished with a copy of the Holy Scriptures.

Report of Finance Com.

The Committee on Finance reports as follows:

Report Since our last report we have raised $298.69. The money directed by the Quarterly meeting is all paid. The balance of this meetings indebtedness is Quarterly meeting stock.

The meeting accepts the report and Job [illegible] [illegible] and Jesse Hunt are appointed to propose to next meeting the names of [illegible]

to constitute a Finance committee.

The committee to see that ministers traveling in Truths service are suitably provided for report as follows:- Report.

Report of Com on Ministers

We have collected since our last report for their use $39.15 and have paid out $45.35 causing and indebtedness of the meeting to the committee of $6.20

The report is accepted by the meeting, the committee is continued and the name of Walter D. Jay added. The meeting directs $25.00 raised and paid into the hands of the committee.

Earlham endowment fund.

The Committee appointed to collect money for increasing the Endowment Fund of Earlham College not being prepared to report is continued and directed to report to next meeting.

Ministers in attendance.

Jeremiah Hubbard a minister acceptably attended this meeting and produced credentials from Union Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Union Missouri 7th mo. 11th 1877

John Carey a minister with credentials from Back Creek Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Centre 12 9 mo 19th 1878, acceptably attended this meeting

Isaac Roberts a minister with credentials from Highland Monthly Meeting held 3rd mo. 5th 1879, acceptably attended this meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends
held 9th Mo. 25th 1879.

E. Coll. Endow. Fund.

The friend appointed in 4th mo last to collect money to increase the Earlham College Endowment Fund reports collected the sum of $8.97.

Rep. report.

The Representatives report they all attended the Quarterly Meeting except one for whose absence a satisfactory excuse was given.

Finance Com. appointed.

The Committee appointed at last meeting to propose the names of friends to serve as this meetings Committee on Finance nominate Isaac Colan Thomas Lawrence and Walter D. Jay with which the meeting is satisfied and they are appointed to that service.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10th month 23 1879.

John Addington granted minute.

Our beloved friend John Addington a minister in unity with us expressed in this meeting a concern to labor for the Gospel within the limits of Walnut Ridge and Winchester Quarterly Meetings and appoint some meetings in Hancock Co. Indiana northwest of Knightstown. Friends are united with him in his concern and he is liberated to and encouraged to attend thereto as best wisdom may direct.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11 mo. 20th 1879.

Miriam Little and minor children Rec.

A Certificate of membership has been received for Miriam Little and her minor children Luella E. Leonard M. C. Elwood M. Leroy E. Viola E. and Lora A. from White River Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th mo. 1st 1879 which has been read and accepted. We appoint Walter D. Jay and Jacob D. Hampton in conjunction with a committee of women friends to visit them on their reception for their encouragement and report to next meeting.

Extract from Q. M. minutes

The following extract from the minutes of the Quarterly Meeting was received. Our finance committee is directed to raise $8.00 and pay it over as directed by the Quarterly Meeting. Extract:

At New Garden Quarterly Meeting of Friends held 8 mo. 23. 1879 The subordinate meetings were directed to raise one hundred dollars and pay it over into the hands of the Committee appointed by this meeting to carry out as way may open for it the provision of our discipline found on pages 94 & 95 of said discipline adopted at our last Yearly Meeting and report thereon to our next meeting.

Rep. appointed

Walter D. Jay Amos Stewart and Jacob D. Hampton are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our representatives and report to next meeting.

Chester [illegible] the London General Epistle and the printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting has been received and ~~handed over~~ the Representatives are directed to distribute them among the members of this meeting.

Epistles and Minutes distributed.

Minister

Maria [illegible] a minister with credentials from West Branch Quarterly Meeting acceptably attended this meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12 mo. 24th 1877

Collection for E. Coll. Endowment

Isaac [illegible] is appointed to take charge of the collection of money to increase the Earlham College Endowment Fund, and report in 9th mo. next.

Certificate of membership of Aaron Simmons & family

A Certificate of membership was received for Aaron Simmons, Elmira his wife and her minor child Joseph K. [illegible] which this meeting accepts. Amos [illegible] and James Hicks are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women Friends to visit them on their reception and report to next meeting.

Our last Yearly Meetings Minute of Advice was read in this meeting to our edification.

Extract from New Garden Quarterly Mtg.

The following Extract from the Minutes of New Garden Quarterly Meeting dated 11 mo 22 1877 was received and read. The subjects therein contained are directed into the hands of this meeting's Committee of Finance

Extract

Ext. from [illegible] minutes — At [illegible] [illegible] held [illegible] 11 mo. 22 [illegible]

The Quarterly Meetings were directed to raise 420.00 to increase the Yearly Meeting's Treasury & also their deficiency of money heretofore directed and pay it all into the hands of our Treasurer and report to next meeting.

The attention and careful consideration of our subordinate meetings was directed to the minute made in our late Yearly Meeting on the state of society.

Wm [illegible] Clerk.

Miriam Little reception — The Friends appointed at last meeting to visit Miriam Little and minor children on the reception of their Certificate report the service has been performed which is satisfactory to the meeting.

Ministers and Friends in attendance — Sarah B. Woodward acceptably attended this meeting and produced credentials from New Garden Quarterly Meeting dated 12 mo. 20. 1879.

Ann [illegible] an Elder accompanying Sarah B. Woodward acceptably attended this meeting.

Repre. report. — The Representatives report they all attended the Quarterly Meeting and took charge of the distribution of this meeting's share of the last Yearly Meeting's Minutes and the London General Epistle.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held [illegible] 22nd [illegible]

Aaron [illegible] [illegible] — The committee [illegible] [illegible] Aaron Fenner and family [illegible] their [illegible] of their certificate report the [illegible] [illegible] attended.

Lydia Lee Reception — Lydia Lee, requests to be joined in membership with us. With which this meeting unites and she is received accordingly.

Temperance Com. — The temperance committee not being ready to report. They are continued, and directed to report at next meeting.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2-19-1880

The Temperance Committee now make the following report:

Temperance Report — There has been much interest manifested in the cause of temperance [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] [illegible] distinctive [illegible] the liquor [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] condition [illegible] drunkenness and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] have [illegible]

of the committee.

Jacob D. Hampton
R. R. Wonder

Anna M. Paton returned her minute granted her [illegible] 24 - 1874 with information that she has attended to the service [illegible] set forth to the peace of her own mind. Which is satisfactory to the meeting.

(margin: Anna [illegible] her minute returned.)

[illegible] minute

Jane Jones returns a minute granted her [illegible] 1877 with the information that she has attended to the service as far as truth opened to the peace of her own mind. - Which is satisfactory to the meeting.

(margin: Jane Jones minute returned.)

Isaac Paton, Thos. M. Laurence are appointed to [illegible] conjunction of women Friends to procure names to constitute [illegible] council.

(margin: Nom. for Tem. Com.)

[illegible] Laurence [illegible] are appointed to [illegible] and report [illegible] may be [illegible] [illegible] Pinkle, [illegible] Pickett, [illegible] and [illegible] Little.

(margin: Rep. appointed.)

[illegible] Laurence [illegible] are appointed [illegible] [illegible] committee.

(margin: Nom. for [illegible] Com.)

~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] Little are appointed [illegible] meeting a Friend to serve this meeting as clerk [illegible] meeting.

(margin: Nom. for Clerk.)

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 3rd mo. 25 1880

Anna M. Upton Mini[ster] granted. — Anna M. Upton a minister of the gospel with whom we have unity informed this meeting of a prospect that had been before her mind for some time, to visit in the Love of Christ Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and some of the meetings belonging thereto, and a few within the limits of New York Yearly Meeting and to attend to such other religious service as may seem required. After a time of deliberation thereon full unity was expressed with her in the concern and she was liberated and encouraged to attend thereto as best wisdom may direct.

Cer. for Samuel Jones and family to be forwarded. — Our Committee on Certificates have produced one for Samuel and Nancy Jones and minor daughter Mattie to White Water Monthly Meeting of Friends which is directed to be signed and forwarded.

Our Com. on Certificates have produced one for Ann Bunch to Sixth Branch M. M. of Friends in Iowa which this meeting directs to be signed and forwarded.

Appointment for Home Mission Com. — The Com. appointed at last meeting to nominate friends to constitute a Home Mission Committee propose the names of Amos Stewart, Melissa Stewart, Anna M. Upton, Lizzie Kendall, Martha Pettay, Mary Little, Edward King, and Joseph McCoy with whom the meeting unites and they are appointed to that service.

Temperance Com. appointed. — The Com. appointed to nominate to this meeting friends to constitute a Temperance Committee propose the names of Dr. [illegible] Compton, Clarence [illegible], Nelson Hinshaw, Mary Hinshaw, Rebecca Windle and Maggie Fender with

[illegible]
[illegible]

Rep. of [illegible] S. Com. — The Committee on [illegible] Schools now make the following report which is accepted.
Report. The school has been in the Care [illegible] without cessation since our last report, mostly to good satisfaction and we trust with increasing interest on the part of many.

Clerks and Mess. appointed. — The Committee appointed to propose the name of a friend to serve this meeting as Clerk one for Assistant and one for messenger the ensuing year propose Clarence E. [Pelaw?] for Clerk John A. Cox for Assistant and Jacob G. Hampton for messenger to Womens meeting with whom the meeting is satisfied and they are appointed accordingly.

The Representatives report they all attended the Quarterly meeting.

Nominating Trustees of Meeting property. — This meeting unites in ~~proposing that~~ nominating David Little Isaac [Pelaw?] and Edward King ~~to~~ ~~appointed~~ as Trustees of the property of [illegible] Monthly Meeting of Friends.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held
4th mo [illegible]

Edward King, Samuel Barker and David Little are appointed in conjunction with a like committee of women friends to bring forward to next meeting the names of friends to serve as a Committee on Firstday Schools the ensuing year.

Trustees appointed

David Little, Isaac Coton and Edward King are duly appointed Trustees of the property of Chester Monthly Meeting. The Clerk is authorized to present a copy of this minute to the County Recorder for record.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held
5th mo 20 1850

Appointment of Firstday School Com

The Committee appointed at last meeting to nominate friends to serve as a Committee on Firstday Schools bring forward the names of Dinah Jay, Isaac Coton, Wilson Kimball, Mary Little, Miriam Lawrence and Melissa Stewart, with whom the meeting is satisfied and they are appointed to that service for the ensuing year.

Rep. appointed

Isaac Coton, Jos. Tindle and John F. Cox are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly meeting as our Representatives and report to next meeting.

Minister

Willis Kenworthy a minister acceptably attended this meeting and produced credentials from Honey Creek Monthly Meeting dated 3rd mo. 13 1850.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 6th mo. 24 1880

Anna M. Votaw returns minute — Anna M. Votaw returns the minute obtained in third month last with the information that she has attended to the service therein set forth to the peace and comfort of her mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

It appears that by an oversight of the Clerk of this meeting our report failed ~~this meeting~~ to reach the Quarterly meeting. Consequently there is no report made by the Representatives.

The meeting concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7th mo 22 1880

Com. on burial grounds and funerals. — We appoint John N Cox, Wilson Kendall and Jacob D Hampton to have charge of this meetings burial grounds and in conjunction with a Committee from womens meeting to have the care and oversight of funerals the ensuing year and report in Seventh month next.

The meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held
8 mo. 19 1880 -

All the Queries have been read in this meeting with written answers from each of the Preparatives from which a summary was taken and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting by Mylton D. Jay, Daniel W. Lawrence, James Weeks and Isaac Oston whom we appoint to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives and report to next meeting.

The Overseers have produced the following Statistical Report which the Meeting directs forwarded to the Quarterly Meeting

No of Families	43
Parts of Families	17
Males	98
Females	116
Whole No of Members	
No Isolated Members	2
Members under 10 years of age	15
" " 21 " " "	64
Births	1
Deaths	2
No received by Certificate	10
" " by Request	1
No of removed members certified to other Meetings	17
" Recorded Ministers	2
" Meetings	2
" Meetings without the Minister	1

The Meeting Concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 9 mo. [illegible] 1880

A Certificate of membership was received for Alletta C. Birdsall from Springfield Monthly Meeting, dated 4th mo. 7th [illegible] which this meeting accepts.

The Representatives report they all attended the Quarterly Meeting.

The Meeting concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10 mo. 21 1880

The clerk being absent Edward King was appointed clerk for the day.

A request was received from Susan R. Hampton to become a member of our Society. Job Kindle and Wilson Kendall are appointed to unite with a like committee of Women Friends to visit her on account of her request and report to next meeting.

The Meeting then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11 mo 25 1880.

The Committee appointed to visit Susan R. Hampton on account of her request report they have paid her a satisfactory visit.

The meeting unites in receiving her into membership with us.

W. Denny Jay requests a certificate to Milford Monthly Meeting in order to accomplish marriage with Margaret A Shekell a member of that meeting. Wilson Kendall and Jacob D. Hampton are appointed to attend thereto and report to next meeting.

We appoint John Alex. Nathan Hogin and Aaron Simmons to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our representatives and report to next meeting.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12-23-1880.

The Committee appointed at last meeting to prepare a certificate to Milford Monthly Meeting for W. Denny Jay in order to accomplish ~~my~~ marriage with Margaret A Shekell report it has been attended to and the Clerk is directed to sign and forward.

The Representatives report they all attended the Quarterly Meeting.

A communication was received from Woodberry Preparative advising that the Preparative Meeting at that place be discontinued. The following named friends were appointed in conjunction with a Committee of Women Friends to visit that Meeting on behalf of the request and report ~~to next meeting.~~ in Second month next.

viz: Amos Stewart
Edward King
Wilson Kendall

The following Extract from the minutes of the Quarterly Meeting was received and the directions in regard to financial matters were referred to our committee on Finance and the Clerk was directed to read the minute on the State of Society and the General ~~Advices~~ Epistle at the close of our First-day meeting.

Extract.

At New Garden Quarterly Mtg of Friends held 11-27 1880.

The Monthly Meetings were directed -

1- To read the Minute of our late Yearly Meeting on the State of Society.

2 - To raise in their respective ratios six hundred dollars and pay it into the hands of our Treasurer

3 - To raise their deficiencies of money heretofore directed which in Chester M.M. is according to report to Quarterly Meeting - $12.23 on Quarterly Mtgs direction for Ministers fund - - - - - and $31.69 on Yearly Meeting stock.

By direction of the Meeting

Wm Hill - Clerk.

The meeting concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 1 mo 20 1881

John Addington returned the minute granted him [illegible] with the information that he has attended to the service to the peace of his mind which is satisfactory to the meeting.

The Committee on certificates [illegible] [illegible] Commons and minor John [illegible] to Walnut Center Monthly Meeting Iowa, which is directed to be signed and forwarded.

The meeting concluded

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 2 - 24. 1881.

John Addington requests a minute to labor in Gospel love within the limits of a few of the meetings composing Western and Indiana Yearly Meetings. This meeting liberates and encourages him to attend to the service as Truth may direct.

The Com. on certificates produced one for Angelina Cook and minor children Lillian and Lottie to Whitewater Monthly Meeting which is directed to be signed and forwarded.

The Com. appointed to visit Woodbury on account of their request, report attention. They are continued to labor for the upbuilding of the church at that place and report definitely on their request in Fifth month next.

The meeting directs the Trustees to have the meeting house reroofed and directs the finance committee to raise Funds to pay expense of the same.

David Little, Nathan Hagin, Amos Stewart and Isaac Votaw are appointed to attend the ensuing Quarterly Meeting as our Representatives and report to next meeting.

Hannah Edgerton a minister from Pipe Creek monthly meeting is in attendance with a minute dated 1 mo. 1- 1881.

Then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8-24-1881.

The Home Mission Committee now make the following satisfactory report which is accepted and the Committee released. James Hicks, Nathan Hagin and Amos Stewart are appointed in conjunction with a committee of Women Friends to bring forward to next meeting the names of Friends to constitute a Home Mission Committee.

Report—

Soon after our appointment we held two meetings at the meeting house and three at private houses, Nine families have been visited for their help and encouragement. Some tracts have been distributed and some private labor bestowed.

We have collected for the [illegible] in Kansas $10 in money and one barrel of bed clothing.

On behalf of the Committee — John N. Cox
Melissa C. Stuart.

The Representatives report they all attended the Quarterly Meeting.

Thomas Lawrence and Robt. Hindle are appointed to bring forward to next meeting the name of a friend to serve as Clerk one for assistant and one for Messenger to Womens meeting.

Eli Cook a minister with credentials from West Grove Monthly meeting dated 1 mo. 12 acceptably attended this meeting.

A proposition was brought before this meeting to make some alterations in the meeting house viz: to remove the partitions and substitute curtains. To lower the floor of the room and build a platform at the west end. to place a partition across the east end of the house thereby making an entrance room five or six feet wide. And to make such changes in regard to the doors and windows as may be necessary, and if any surplus money remain to use it in the purchase of furniture for the room. The proposition was united with and Nathan Hogue, Edward King, Isaac Votaw Malvina Stewart, Elmira King and Esther Strawbridge were appointed to carry the proposition into effect. And they are directed to sell one acre of land on the western side of the meeting-house grounds and use the proceeds in making the above mentioned improvements, and report when the work is completed.

Then concluded.

Chester Monthly Meeting of Friends Held
4 mo. 21 1881

The committee appointed to make improvements on the meeting house, is directed to [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] feet wide extending across the South side of the meeting house, [illegible] [illegible] use the proceeds for [illegible] expenses [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] improvements [illegible] the meeting house.

The finance committee is directed to raise $30. or additional money needed in reroofing the meeting house.

The committee appointed to make nominations for a Home [illegible] Committee not being ready to report they are continued and directed to report to next meeting.

The Committee appointed to nominate a friend for Clerk one for assistant and one for Messenger to Womens meeting report the name of Wilson Kendall for Clerk, [illegible] [illegible] Cox for assistant and Jacob D. Thompson for Messenger. The nominations were satisfactory but it was decided to dispense with office of Assistant Clerk and Messenger ~~and [illegible]~~

A proposition was made to change the manner of [illegible] the business of the Monthly meeting — to dispense with the service of Assistant Clerk and Messenger and to transact the business of both Mens and Womens meetings together. The proposition was united with and Wilson Kendall was retained and Almira Ray appointed to serve as Clerks the ensuing year.

The meeting Concluded.

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